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Paid-up Capital £382,500
Reserve Liability of Shareholders. £562,500
Reserve Fund £600,000
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CAPITAL PAID-UP .....Rs. 50,00,000
RESERVE FUND .....Rs. 10,00,000
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Every description of BANKING and EXCHANGE business transacted.
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MANAGER.
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Capital Authorized 50,00,000 0
Capital Issued 31,00,000 0 0
Capital Subscribed 31,000,000 0 0
Capital Paid-up 16,33,439 15 5
Reserve Funds 13,37,432 8
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NOTICE.

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Dated 13th December, 1917.

CHAPSI BHARA & Co.,

PUBLIC NOTICES.

SHOLAPUR MUNICIPALITY.

TENDERS FOR THE SUPPLY OF COAL.

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the Chairman, Sholapur Municipality, for the supply of about 1,000 tons of best Bengal Coal of the Lodna or Bugdugi quality only, upto 16th January, 1918.

Each tender to be accompanied by a deposit of Rs. 500 in cash or currency notes of the value and a sample of 1 cwt. in bags of each quality. The tender should be superscribed as "Tender for Coal."

On the acceptance of a tender an agreement in writing to supply at the rate of not less than 6 wagons of coal each month, will have to be furnished by the supplier.

The Municipality will not be bound to accept the lowest tender.

CHIEF OFFICER,
Sholapur Municipality.

Sholapur Municipal Office.
December 14 1917.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

MAJOR PORTER has MOVED his Surgical Nursing Home and Residence to 93, Nepean Sea Road, next door to Readymoney House." 1008

WESTERN INDIA TURF CLUB.

NOTICE.

THERE will be a GENERAL MEETING of the Club Members of the Western India Turf Club at the TAJ MAHAL HOTEL, Bombay, at 6-30 p.m. on MONDAY, the 17th December, 1917, to consider certain suggested alterations to the Rules of Racing regarding entries and starting.

By Order,
J. REYNOLDS,
Ag. Secretary,
Western India Turf Club.

Bombay 16th November, 1917. 788

FOR SALE.

GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY FOR INVESTMENT.

Grants Buildings, and Kamal Mansions, Situated in Colaba, Bombay.

TWO BLOCKS of huge buildings one five and the other five stories high, consisting of over one hundred spacious flats with electric fittings.

1. Area 7,750 square yards.
2. Tenure lease-hold in perpetuity at a permanent charge of Rs. 100 per year.
3. Rent realised at present is over Rs. 5,500 per mensem.

OPEN TO OFFERS.

Offers will be received by the undersigned till 15th January, 1918.

For full particulars apply to
G. AHMED KHAN,
Superintendent, Court of Wards,
H. H. the Nizam's Government,
HYDERABAD, DECCAN.

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GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY

(Incorporated in England.)

TENDERS FOR THE PURCHASE OF SECOND-HAND MATERIAL AND UNSERVICEABLE STORES, VIZ., CAST AND WROUGHT IRON AND STEEL SCRAP, ETC.

THE AGENT is prepared to receive TENDERS at his Office, Victoria Terminus Bombay, upto 1 p.m. (S.T.), on FRIDAY, the 21st December, 1917, for the purchase of above, which can be seen on application to the Company's Wharf Superintendent, Wadi Bunder, and Assistant Storekeeper, Jhansi.

TENDERS—These must be made out in the Company's Authorised Forms, which can be had on application to the Undersigned at his office on payment of Rs. 2 per copy.

TERMS—A sum equivalent to 10 per cent. f value of the material tendered for (subject to a maximum of Rs. 1,000 and a minimum of Rs. 200 only) must accompany each Tender, along with a cash deposit form, which is supplied gratis on application as a guarantee of good faith in due fulfilment of Contract, failure in which shall entail the forfeiture of the deposit without the Railway having to prove any loss by the transaction. Only Cash or Currency Notes of the Bombay Circle if over Rs. 100 (on which no interest will be allowed) or Government Promissory Notes will be received as deposits, and if the latter they must be endorsed "Pay Great Indian Peninsula Railway Company or Order." Interest on Government Promissory Notes lodged with the Company as Tender deposits will not be realized by the Company unless such interest payable at Bombay.

NOTE—The Agent does not bind himself to accept the highest or any Tender.

Applicants are requested not to Tender for more material than they are able to pay for and remove within one month from the date of acceptance of Tender.

W. L. SHAW,
Ag. General Storekeeper.

General Storekeeper's Office,
Parel, 22nd November, 1917.
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Dr. P. S. GANLA, M.D.

SERUM-THERAPIST.

Guarantees a perfect and speedy Cure by Serum-Injections in the following Diseases:—

Phthisis, Scrofula, Hysteria, Impotence, Paralysis, Pneumonia, Plague Tetanus, Typhoid Fever Asthma and Sciatica.

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LEGAL NOTICES.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

Suit No. 323 of 1917.

JAMNADAS KURSONDAS and others ..... Plaintiffs

v/s.

LALJI MORARJI and others ... Defendants.

To,
NARANDAS RADHAKISON.
The 8th Defendant herein.

Dear Sir,

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on the 29th day of March, 1917, a Partition suit has been filed by the Plaintiffs against the 1st Defendant LALJI MORARJI, praying that a partition may be effected between the Plaintiffs and the 1st Defendant of the net sale proceeds of the Parel Property or of the Parel Property itself as the case may be after due provision is made for the repayment of the incumbrances mentioned in the Plaint herein that a suitable provision for maintenance of the 3rd Plaintiff may be made and secured out of the half share of the Plaintiffs that the 1st Defendant may be ordered to render an account of his management of the said immoveable property and the rents and profits thereof received by him and that he may be ordered to pay to the first two Plaintiffs a moiety of the amount found due by him at the foot of such account that the 2nd Defendant may be restrained from selling or attempting to sell or advertising for sale the said property that a Receiver may be appointed to pay the Plaintiffs' costs of this suit that the 2nd Defendant may be ordered to pay the Plaintiffs costs of this suit in so far as the same may be occasioned by his refusal to desist in advertising the said property for sale or that the plaintiffs' costs may be otherwise provided for that for all the aforesaid purposes all enquiries may be made accounts taken and directions given and for further and other relief.

Please take notice that the 25th day of January, 1918, has been fixed by the Court for the hearing of the above suit when you are summoned to appear in Court in person or by an Advocate duly instructed by an Attorney of the Court and able to answer all material questions relating to the suit, or who shall be accompanied by some other person able to answer all such questions to answer the abovenamed Plaintiffs and as the day fixed for your appearance is appointed for the final disposal of the suit you must produce all your witness on that day and you are hereby required to take notice that in default of your appearance on the day beforementioned, the suit will be heard and determined in your absence and you will bring with you (or send by your Attorney) any document in your possession or power containing evidence relating to the merits of the Plaintiffs' case or upon which you intend to rely in support of your case.

Witness Sir BASIL SCOTT, Knight, Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid, this 24th day of April, 1917.

W. J. HOWARD,
For Prothonotary.

Amended this 15th day of December, 1917, as per Chamber Order, dated the 6th day of December, 1917.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay.

W. J. HOWARD,
For Actg. Prothonotary.

The 24th day of April, 1917
SHAMRAO, MINOCHEHER & HIRALAL,
Plaintiffs' Attorneys.

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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Bai SONBAI, widow of DOSA MAHOMED LADAK, and Bai SAKINABAI, daughter of DOSSA MAHOMED LADAK, both of Bombay, Khoja, Mahomedan Inhabitants, have contracted to sell to our client the undermentioned property.

All persons having any right, title, interest or claim in to or upon the said property or any part thereof either by way of sale, mortgage, lease, gift, inheritance, lien, easement, incumbrance or otherwise howsoever, are required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office in the Mercantile Bank Building at Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the same (if any) will be considered as waived and the sale will be completed without any regard thereto.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.

All that piece or parcel of Fazandari land or ground with the messuages, tenements and buildings standing thereon, situate, lying and being at Mahim Bazar, outside the Fort, in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 112 square yards or thereabouts bearing Collector's New Survey No. 1/35 and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes, under Ward G. Ward No. 5459, Street Nos. 54-56-58-60 and bounded as follows, that is to say, on or towards the East and North by the said Mahim Bazar Road, on or towards the West by the property of Manoram Balgowan and on or towards the South by Bazar Gully leading to Fish Market.

Dated this 14th day of December, 1917.

PAYNE & Co.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.

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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Messrs. GULAMHOOSEIN BUNDAALLI HURJI and NENSEY CASSUM, both of Bombay, Khoja, Mahomedan Inhabitants, have contracted to sell to our client the undermentioned property. Any person or persons having or making any claim against the said property by way of sale, mortgage, transfer, lease, exchange, gift, trust, inheritance, possession, lien or otherwise howsoever, is or are requested to make the same known in writing to us at our office at No. 9, Bell Lane, Fort, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the purchase will be completed without reference to any such claim and the same, if any, shall be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

All that piece or parcel of perpetual Fazendari land or ground with the messuage, tenement or dwelling house standing thereon, situate, lying and being on the east side of Samuel Street, in the Town and Island of Bombay, in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 190 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under New Survey No. 3164 and in the Books of the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes, under B. Ward No. 2985 and Street Nos. 257-261 and 592-594 and which said premises are bounded as follows, that is to say, on or towards the East by Doongri Street, on or towards the West by Samuel Street aforesaid, on or towards the North by the property of Karmali Peerbhoy and on or towards the South by the property of Cassumbhoy Visram.

Dated this 14th day of December, 1917.

MATUBHAI JAMIETRAM & MADAN,
Purchaser's Attorneys.

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LEGAL NOTICE.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

Suit No. 692 of 1915.

KHIMJI ASSUR VIRJI ..... Plaintiff

v.

K. VENKATARAO SETHUPATHY and others ..... Defendants.

PURSUANT to the Decree Absolute for Sale made in the above Suit and bearing date the 15th day of February, 1917, the following immoveable and moveable properties including machinery will be sold by Public Auction by the Commissioner of this Honourable Court at his Office in the Court House on Monday, the 17th day of December, 1917, at the hour of half past three o'clock in the afternoon (Standard Time).

PARTICULARS.

ALL the right, title and interest of the Plaintiff and the Defendants abovenamed in all and singular the lands and hereditaments hereunder described together with all buildings, fixtures, trees, rights, easements, advantages and appurtenances to the said premises appertaining or with the same held or enjoyed or reputed as part thereof or appurtenant thereto and situated in the Registration District and Sub-District of Bellary in the Presidency of Madras and within the Bellary Municipality and bounded as follows:—

That is to say, on or towards the West, North and South by the properties of various ryots and on the East by rivulet.

Survey No.	Acres and Cents.	Yearly Assessment. Rs. a. p.	Remarks
458	0 9	0 1 0	(a)
797	14 49	10 14 0	
798	1 99	1 8 0	
800A	0 33	0 4 0	
800B	4 43	3 5 0	
800C	3 92	2 15 0	
803	7 45	7 7 0	
805	7 41	7 7 0	
806	17 8	12 13 0	
807	5 39	4 1 0	
808	1 65	1 4 0	
888	1 6	0 15 0	
893	1 16	0 14 0	
894	9 38	7 1 0	
913	3 80	2 14 0	(b)
914	5 73	4 5 0	(b)
915	1 65	1 4 0	
916	1 3	0 12 0	

(a) Bellary village.
(b) Except a space of 50 and 25 yards opposite Varbasapa Temple.

And also all and singular the engines, boilers, mill-gear, mill-wright work, fixed and moveable machinery and accessories specified hereunder:—

Engine A Compound Horizantal, Tandem surface condensing Steam Engine, fitted with corliss valves and is made to indicate 650 I.H.P. working at 150 lbs. steam pressure running at 70 revolutions per minute, with surface condenser Feed Pump and steam pipes. Three boilers by Messrs. Babcock and Wilcox, Limited, Glasgow.

GINNING DEPARTMENT.

8 Double Roller Gins.
3 Single Roller Gins.

BLOW ROOM.

1 Exhaust Opener.
1 Vertical Double Beater Crighton Opener.
1 Double Beater Inter Scutcher.
1 Double Beater Inter Scutcher.
1 Finisher Scutcher.
1 Finisher Scutcher.
2 Finisher Scutchers.
2 Finisher Scutchers.

CARDING DEPARTMENT.

30 Roller Carding Engine 40in. on wire.
20 Roller Carding Engine 40in. on wire.
12 Roller Carding Engine 40in. unclothed.

DRAWING.

3 Draw Frames of 3 heads and 5 deliveries.
2 Draw Frames of 3 heads and 6 deliveries.
1 Draw Frame of 3 heads and 6 deliveries.
2 Draw Frames of 3 heads and 6 deliveries.

SLUBBING.

3 Slubbing Frames 64 Spindles.
2 Slubbing Frames 72 spindles.
1 Slubbing Frame 72 spindles.
1 Slubbing Frame 72 spindles.

INTERMEDIATE.

2 Inters 96 spindles.
3 Inters 96 spindles.
4 Inters 98 spindles.
2 Inters 108 spindles.

ROVINGS.

10 Roving Frames 128 spindles.
6 Roving Frames 128 spindles.
4 Roving Frames 140 spindles.

SPINNING DEPARTMENT.

RINGS.

4 Ring Frames 324 spindles each 2¼in. gauge 5in. lift.
4 Ring Frames 340 spindles each 2 5/8in. gauge 5in. lift.
8 Ring Frames 340 spindles each 2 5/8in. gauge 5in. lift.
9 Ring Frames 224 spindles each 2¼in. gauge 5in. lift.
13 Ring Frames 344 spindles each 2 5/8in. gauge 5in. lift.

FLYER THROSTLES.

16 Flyer Throstles of 328 spindles 2¼ gauge 2¼in. lift.

MULES.

2 Self-acting Weft Mules of 840 spindles each 1¾in. gauge.

DOUBLING.

1 Ring Doubling Frame of 288 spindles.

REELING.

4 Dobson and Barlow's Patent Improved Reels.
8 Double Reels for Flyer Bobbins.
13 Double Reels for Ring Bobbins.
62 Single Reels for Ring Bobbins.

BUNDLING AND BALING.

3 Bundling Presses.
1 Baling Press complete.

ACCESSORIES AND SUNDRY MACHINES.

1 Spindle Banding making machine.
2 Grinding machines.
1 Thread Extractor.
1 Fillet mounting Machine.
2 Sets of grinding Rollers.
Complete set of Roller covering apparatus.
Complete set of wrapping apparatus.

WORKSHOP.

1 Lathe 22ft. long.
1 Lathe 14ft. long by Shephard Hill and Co., Leeds.
1 Lathe 8ft. long by Shephard Hill and Co., Leeds.
1 Lathe 6ft. long by Shephard Hill and Co., Leeds.
1 Large Radical Drilling Machine.
1 Large planning Machine.
1 Shaping Machine.
1 Slotting Machine.
1 Tooth Cutting Machine.
1 Roots Blower 6in.
1 Shearing and Punching Machine.
1 Plate Bending Machine.
1 Mortar Mill.
1 Table Vice.
2 Small Engines of 41 H.P. each.
1 Vertical Donkey Pump 3in. Suction.
1 Smaller Boiler of 4 H.P.
1 Worthington Pump 3in. Suction.

CONDEMNED MACHINERY.

1 Tandem compound slide valve jet condensing Rope Gear Steam Engine of 350 H.P. at 100 lbs. steam pressure H.P. 20in. L.P. 34in—4ft. stroke 50 revolutions per minute. Fly wheel 25ft. receiving 12 ropes of 2in. diameter.
1 Baling press complete with pump.

For further particulars and conditions of Sale, application should be made at the office of the said Commissioner or at the Office of Messrs. Payne and Co., Attorneys for the Plaintiff abovenamed, at Mercantile Bank Building, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay.

H. H. WADIA,
Commissioner.

Dated this 9th day of October 1917.

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LEGAL NOTICES.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that LUTAFALI BHIMJI and KARIMBHAI BHIMJI, of Bombay, Khoja Inhabitants, have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to my client. Any person having any claim in or to the said property or any part thereof by way of inheritance, charge, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, trust, easement, lien or otherwise, is hereby required to make the same known in writing to me at my office at Century Building, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to any such claim and the same will be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

All that piece of vacant Government Leasehold land admeasuring about 321 square yards bearing New Survey No. 2/3693, situate, lying and being at Love Lane, Mazagon, in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay and bounded as follows, that is to say, on or towards the East by the property bearing Collector's New Survey No. 1/3693, in the occupation of Lalji Devral and Company, on or towards the North by the said Love Lane, on or towards the West by the property bearing Collector's New Survey No 3/3693 in the occupation of Currimbhai Peermahomed, on or towards the South by the property bearing Collector's New Survey Nos. 9/3693 and 10/3693 in the occupation of Gulam Hoosein Ibrahim and Jan Mahomed Gangji and another and which said piece of land is assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under Ward Nos. 6213 and 6216, Street Nos. 1 and 49-51.

Dated this 15th day of December, 1917.

G. B PANDYA,
Purchaser's Attorneys.

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

GEORGE V by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions, beyond the Seas, King Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

Petition for Letters of Administration of the property and credits of BHIKAN SAGAJI, of Bombay, Mahomedan Inhabitant, a Butcher and a widower, residing at Old Nagpada, without the Fort of Bombay ..... Deceased.

(1) FATMABAI, wife of MAHOMED OOSMAN, (2) ALLARKHIABAI, wife of RAJOO NANOO, and (3) MAHOMED BHIKAN, all of Bombay, Mahomedan Inhabitants, daughters and son respectively of the deceased, residing at Old Nagpada, without the Fort of Bombay ... Petitioners.

All persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the proceedings if they think fit before the Grant of Letters of Administration.

Witness Sir BASIL SCOTT, Knight, Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid, this seventh day of December, in the year of our Lord, One thousand Nine hundred and Seventeen and in the Eighth year of our Reign.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay.

P. B. MALABARI,
Ag. Registrar.

W. J HOWARD.

The 7th day of December, 1917.
Messrs. SABNIS & GOREGAOKER,
Petitioners' Attorneys.

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

GEORGE V by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

Petition for Letters of Administration of the property and credits of RABIABIBI, wife of ABDUL LATIFF FAKI, of Bombay, Kokni Mahomedan Inhabitant, residing at Jambli Moholla, without the Fort of Bombay ..... Deceased.

ABDUL LATIFF FAKI and MAHOMED IBRAHIM FAKI, both of Bombay, Kokni Mahomedan Inhabitants, Landlords, residing at Jambli Moholla, without the Fort of Bombay, the husband and son respectively of the deceased abovenamed ..... Petitioners.

All persons claiming to have any interest in the estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the proceedings if they think fit before the Grant of Letters of Administration.

Witness Sir BASIL SCOTT, Knight, Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid, this sixth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and in the eighth year of our Reign.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay.

(Sd.) P. B. MALABARI,
Ag. Registrar.

(Sd.) W. J. HOWARD.

The 6th day of December, 1917.
Messrs. SABNIS & GOREGAOKER,
Petitioners' Attorneys.

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SALE BY AUCTION.

NEW AUCTION ROOMS BY
B. MANEKLAL & CO.,
AUCTIONEER.
No. 7, Green Street Fort, oppo.
Bank of Bombay.

Have been recently OPENED at No. 7, Green Street, Fort, opposite Bank of Bombay

FIRST AUCTION SALE OF

very neat and handsome household and office furniture, jewellery, etc., will be held on TUESDAY the 18th instant at 2-30 p.m. (S.T.).

Catalogues are printed and furniture is on view.

Unique opportunity to buyers of furniture in the present times of raised prices of materials.

B. MANEKLAL & CO.,
Auctioneers.

Bombay, 17th December, 1917.

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SALE BY AUCTION.

BENNETT & CO.
22, APOLLO STREET, FORT

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTY AT COORLA.

Under instructions of Messrs. Mahomed Haji Sumar and Ahmed Haji Sumar the Receivers appointed under the Consent Decree made on the 30th August 1917 in Suit No. 614 of 1916 Haji Ahmed Karim and others v/s Haji Sao Sulleman and others, Messrs. BENNET and Co., Auctioneers will THIS DAY MONDAY, the 17th instant at 4-30 p.m. (S.T.) put up for sale by public auction on the premises the following property.

All that piece or parcel of land together with the building standing thereon situate lying and being at Mouje Kurla Pot Tukdi and Taluka Salsette, District Thana, admeasuring thirty-three feet in breadth and about 85 feet in length near Swadeshi Mills and assessed by the Municipality under No. 91 and bounded as follows that is to say, on the East the property of Malumsaheb Samturle, on the South by the Road, on the West by the property of Malumsaheb Samturle and on the North by a lane and beyond by the property of Krishnaji Shivram Bhave.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to Messrs. Captain and Vaidya, the Receivers' Attorneys at their office at 121, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay.

AUCTION SALE OF POTTERY GOODS

Under instructions from the offices concerned Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will TO-MORROW TUESDAY, the 18th inst. at 3-30 p.m. (S.T.), sell by Public Auction, at Port Trust Godown, situated at Hospital Lane, Mazagon, on account and risk of the Perfect Pottery Co. Ltd., of Jubbulpore the following pottery goods consisting of 4in. and 6in. round bends, 4in. y, single junctions, 3in. round pipes, 9in. seating blocks, 6in. by 9in. flue covers, 4in. and 6in. open channels, Gully traps, sewer traps, segmental bricks, square bricks, standard bricks, flue covers etc., etc.

The above will be on view on the day of sale.

A deposit of 50 per cent. will be required at the time of sale.

AUCTION SALE OF THE GADAG MILL SITUATE IN THE EASTERN PART OF THE DHARWAR DISTRICT.

Under instructions from the Liquidators of the Deccan Bank, Poona, in liquidation, Messrs. BENNETT and Co., will, on WEDNESDAY, the 19th December, 1917, at 4-30 p.m. (S.T.), sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms the Gadag Mill with land, buildings machinery, boilers, engines, etc., as it now stands:—

The Mill has been working since the last 12 years. Yarn of 20s. and 30s. is turned out in this mill. There are 1,520 Mules and 18,000 Throstle Spindles and 24 Looms. The Mill is still working and is available for inspection of the bidders.

The above is a well developed concern comprising mill buildings and machinery of large value for ready use and it gives a very suitable opportunity to an energetic and enterprising merchant for earning large profits by investment of a comparatively small additional Capital for carrying on the working of the Mill.

For further particulars and conditions of sale, application may be made to the Liquidators Deccan Bank Office Bhowani Peth Poona, or to the Bank's Solicitors, Messrs. Kanga and Sayani, Alice Buildings, Hornby Road, Bombay, or to the Undersigned.

On FRIDAY, the 21st instant, at 2 p.m. (S. T.), Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, in the Government Dockyard Bungalow, next to the Sailors' Home, very valuable and handsome teak and blackwood household furniture made to order by Dewji Canji and also at the Docks, rich glass and crockeryware, platedware, dining table, arm and without arm chairs, large sideboard and dumbwaiters, rich carpets, electric table and hanging fans drawing room Chesterfield sofas and easy chairs, fancy cabinets, table ornaments, glass door book cases, books, writing tables, reclining sofas, easy chairs, teapoys, single and double bedsteads, cloth and gown presses, dressing and washhand tables, mirror door almyrahs, chest of drawers, rich pictures, beaded chicks, ice box, aluminium utensils, rich large garden tubs of palms, cane furniture, etc., etc., the property of T. Avery, Esq., C.I.E.

Catalogues are published and the property is on view.

BONA-FIDE SALE.

On SATURDAY, the 29th December, 1917, Messrs. BENNETT and Co., are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at "Malakot Lodge," Mount Pleasant Road, Malabar Hill, very valuable and artistic teak and blackwood, plain and carved furniture by Benjamin and Roberts, best platedware, by Elkington Reed and Barton, glass and crockeryware drawing-room furniture, Persian carpets, richly upholstered silk lined chesterfield sofas and easy chairs to match by Roberts and Benjamin, one sweet toned cottage piano by Knake, one teakwood screen set with painted glass panels by Roberts, one very elegant and strong glass door sideboard by Benjamin, one glass English showcase, English light chairs and sofa by Mapple, electric table fans and fittings, single and double mirror door almyrahs by Benjamin, chest of drawers, washhand table, wooden bedsteads, cane furniture, paintings and oleographs, iron and brass bedsteads, bedroom furniture, kitchen utensils, etc., etc., the property of Sir Frederick Sprott.

Catalogues will be published and furniture on view 4 days before the sale.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE IMMOVEABLE PROPERTY AT MAHIM, VAGAWADI NEAR VAGAWADI MOSQUE HAVING FRONTAGES ON TWO PUBLIC STREETS SPECIALLY SUITED TO MAHOMEDANS.

Under instructions from Messrs. Mehta Dalpatram and Lalji Attorneys for the owners Shamsuddin Haji Ebrahim Penkar Mahimwalla and others and with the consent and concurrence of the mortgagees, Messrs. BENNET and Co., Auctioneers will on SUNDAY, the 30th day of December 1917 at 5 p.m., (S.T.) sell by public auction on the premises the undermentioned valuable property in one lot.

All that piece or parcel of Fazendari land or ground (formerly consisting of three pieces now made into one) of which Ahmed Miya Samsuddin is the Fazendar with the messuages tenements and dwelling houses standing thereon situate at Upper Mahim on the western side of the Lady Jamshedji Road in the Oart called Wazawadi in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay containing by admeasurement (471 4/9) Four hundred and seventy-one and four-ninths square yards or thereabouts being part of Collectors' New Survey No. 21 and assessed by the Assessor of Municipal rates and taxes under G Ward Nos. 5002, 5003 and 5004 and Street Nos. 330-331 and 332 and bounded on or towards the East by the private passage of the Oart, on or towards the West partly by the property of Haji Cassum and partly by the property of Munshi Abdul Karim, on or towards the South by the property of Abdool Rehman Ramzan, and on or towards the North partly by the property of Munshi Abdul Karim and partly by the Lane known as Balamiya's Gully.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to Messrs. Mehta Dalpatram and Lalji Attorneys for the owner at 121, Meadows Street, Fort, or to Undersigned.

BENNETT & CO.,
Auctioneers.

Bombay, 17th December, 1917.

SALE BY AUCTION.

GANDHI & CO
AUCTIONEERS & COMMISSION AGENTS.
No. 52 Medows Street.

AUCTION SALE OF VERY VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTY SITUATE AT KUMBHAR TUKDA, OUTSIDE THE FORT OF BOMBAY.

Under instructions from Messrs. Mulji and Thakoredas, Attorneys for the mortgagees and on account and at the risk of the mortgagor Shanker Atmaram Mahatre and Bai Parvatibai wife of Shanker Atmaram Mahatre Messrs. GANDHI & Co., will on Saturday the 22nd December 1917 at 5 p.m. (S. T.), put up the undermentioned property for sale by public auction on the premises in exercise of the power of sale reserved to the mortgagees by an indenture of mortgage, dated 2nd day of April 1913 and made between the said Shanker Atmaram Mahatre and Parvatibai wife of Shanker Atmaram Mahatre of the one part and the mortgagees of other part.

PARTICULARS.

All that piece or parcel of Pension Tax land together with the messuage tenement or dwelling house standing thereon situate lying and being in Kumbhar Tukda outside the Fort of Bombay and in the Registration District and Sub-District of Bombay containing by admeasurement 129 square yards or thereabouts and bounded on or towards the North by the property of Gordhandas Kanchhordas Bhagat, on or towards the South by the Portuguese Church and the property of Mawji Raghowji on or towards the East by the property of Samooduk Mata and on or towards the West Kumbhar Tukda Lane and which said premises are registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under old No. 454 New No. 2362 old survey No. 307 and New Survey No. 440 and assessed by the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under "C" Ward No. 5605 and Street No. 13 and are now in the occupation of the mortgagors and their tenants.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to Messrs. Mulji and Thakoredas, Attorneys for the mortgagees at their office at Church Gate Street, Fort, or to the undersigned.

GANDHI & Co.,
Auctioneers

Bombay, 17th Dec. 1917.

J. S. MODY & CO.
20, APOLLO STREET, FORT.
Telephone No. 3409.

AUCTION SALE OF A LOT OF TAMARIND AND OTHER STORES.

By order of the Embarkation Store Officer, Bombay, Messrs. J. S. MODY and Co., Auctioneers, will, THIS DAY MONDAY, the 17th day of December, 1917, at 2-30 p.m. (S.T.) sell by Public Auction, at Grain Depot, Tank Bunder, Mazagon:—

A lot of Tamarind and other stores.

Cash will be required on the lots being knocked down and the lots will have to be removed within 2 days from the date of sale.

AUCTION ON THURSDAY THE 20TH DECEMBER, 1917, AT 3 P.M. (S.T.) AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE MADE TO ORDER HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE SETS OF BRONZE TABLE CLOCKS, LARGE GILT FIGURED TABLE CLOCK, BRONZE ELECTRIC FIGURES, LARGE FISH BOWLS, GLASS DOMES, REFRIGERATOR ICE CHEST, ROSES COTTAGE PIANO, ETC. ETC.

On THURSDAY, the 20th day of December, 1917, at 3 p.m., (S.T.), Messrs. J. S. MODY & Co., are instructed to sell by public auction in the shop in Dean Lane adjoining the Hummum Street, Fort, (where the kit has been removed for sale very valuable teak and blackwood made to order household furniture, etc., comprising:—dining table, chairs, sideboard, dinner waggon, meatsafes, upholstered drawing room suites, chesterfield sofa, glass door silver cabinets, marble top tables, almyrahs, hat stands, dressing and washhand tables, bronze onyx, marble sets of table clocks, gold gilt figured table clocks in case, large glass fish bowls glass domes palm stands, Dann's safe on stand, electric bronze table figures, English refrigerator ice chest, book cases, sweet toned Rose's Cottage piano, etc., etc.

Catalogues will be published and the property is on view.

J. S. MODY & CO.,
Auctioneers.

Bombay, 17th December, 1917.

MESSRS. MEHTA & CO
Auctioneers to the Government and G. I. P. Railway.
No. 25, Medows Street, Fort Bombay.
Telephone No. 1285.

NOTICE

Piece-goods, Furniture and other articles for Auction Sale at Messrs. Mehta and Co.'s Rooms, on Friday, the 21st instant, will be received by them till the evening of Wednesday, the 19th December 1917.

NOTICE.

AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY TO MILLS, COLOUR MERCHANTS AND DYERS.

Messrs. MEHTA & COMPANY are instructed to invite private offers for the following stock of Aniline Dyes of original packing in 1lb. and 1lb. tins such as:—

Congo Red, Fast Pink, Green Crystals, Orange and Chrysophinine.

Samples can be seen on application to the Undersigned.

A FINE OPPORTUNITY FOR INVESTMENT.

AUCTION SALE of a Large Rectangular and Prospective Plot of Land adjacent to the Beer Factory, at Fergusson Road, and between the Fergusson Road and the Meyer Sassoon Mills (3 minutes' way from the Lower Parel Station of the B. B. and C. I. Railway.)

THIS DAY MONDAY the 17th Dec. at 4-30 p.m., (S. T.), Messrs. MEHTA and Co., will sell by Public Auction, on the Premises the following very valuable rectangular plot of land, next to the Beer Factory at Fergusson Road and on the North side of the Meyer Sassoon Mills.

DESCRIPTION: All that piece of Foras Pension and Tax Land situate, lying and being without the Fort of Bombay at Fergusson Road, Worli in the District of Mahim, containing by admeasurement 9,500 square yards, be the same more or less and bearing Collector's Old No. 321, 356 and 356, and New No. 12357, and Old Survey No. Nil, and New Survey No. 2765, and 2805, and Municipal Ward No. 2221, and Street No. 1217 and bounded on the East partly by the property of Mr. Navare, on the North partly by the property of Haji Sale Mohamed Haji Usman, and partly by the Fergusson Road, on the West partly by the Beer Factory and partly by the land of Mr. Warden, and on the South by the property of the Meyer Sassoon Mills.

Further particulars, conditions of sale and inspection of plans and title deeds can be had from the Undersigned.

AUCTION SALE OF 15 CASES OR BALES WHITE NENSOOKHS.

On WEDNESDAY, the 20th instant at 4-30 p.m., (S.T.) Messrs. MEHTA & Co., will sell by public auction at their Rooms by order of the concerned and on account and at the risk of Thacker Runchordas Moolji of English Lane Mulji Jetha market.

15 cases or bales each about 150 pieces white Nensookhs No. 1001 to 3003 or motor and 18 yards.

MEHTA & Co.,
Auctioneers.

Bombay, 17th December, 1917.

SALE BY AUCTION.

MESSRS. SORABJEE COWASJEE & CO.
AUCTIONEERS & COMMISSION AGENTS.
21, Medows Street.

TO LOVERS OF WORKS OF ARTS AND CURIOS.

UNRESERVED SALE.

A UNIQUE COLLECTION OF ARTWARE AND CURIOS OF CHINA AND JAPAN, consisting of

large enamelled cloisonne jars, 42 and 60 inches high, artistically designed bowls and braziers, rare translucent enamelled articles skilfully carved and inlaid ivory tusks, boxes and figures, valuable old bronze and brass article inlaid and carved in raised designs, sets of gold lacquered silver vases and urns set with mother of pearl, old satsuma, embroidered pictures and hanging, valuable Damascene works, silver tea set and dressing set, an old gold lacquered Mandarine saddle, an old and rare Mandarine collar set with jade and kingfisher's feathers, and other works of art.

Will be sold by Public Auction without reserves TO-DAY, MONDAY, the 17th December, 1917, at 3 p.m. (S.T.), at the premises close to old Messrs. Mongini's Church Gate Street, Fort.

Goods on view.

SORABJEE COWASJEE & CO.,
Auctioneers.

Bombay, 17th Dec. 1917.

MENESSE, & CO.
NO. 35, HUMMUM STREET, FORT.

AUCTION SALE OF 64 BALES MAIJJI (KHANDESH) COTTON.

Messrs. MENESSE and Co., will sell by Public Auction, on MONDAY, the 17th instant at 3 p.m., (S.T.) at No. 1 Shed, Victoria Dock, on account of the Insurance Office concerned, the following Cotton, damaged by fire and water.

64 bales Maijji (Khandesh) Cotton.

A deposit of 25 per cent. will be required on the lot being knocked down.

AUCTION SALE of Unclaimed and Confiscated Goods, belonging to the Government Customs Department.

In accordance with Section 88 of the Sea Customs Act VII of 1878, and under instructions from the Collector of Customs, Bombay, Messrs. MENESSE and Co., will sell by Public Auction at the Town Custom House, on TUESDAY, 18th December, 1917, at 2 p.m. (S.T.), the following goods:—

Cases biscuits, matches, cotton goods, and antimony work, window glass, porcelainware, glassware, iron goods, and lacqueredware, fruit salt, perfumed spirits, enamelledware, wool, bats, 25 cases Fernet Branca wine, brass, pendants, syrup of figs, paper boxes, silk goods and ivoryware, bales cotton piecegoods, castor seeds, Rattans, dealwood plants, clove stems, drums, paint, box wearing apparel and empty cases, and collection of postage stamps, etc., etc.

MENESSE & CO.,

Bombay, 17th December, 1917.

AMUSEMENTS.

ROYAL OPERA HOUSE
Bombay's Most Central Theatre.
GREAT CHRISTMAS ENGAGEMENT OF
FILLIS CIRCUS
TO-NIGHT AT 9-30 P.M.
MENAGERIE IN THE GARDEN EVERY DAY
from 9 a.m. to noon; from 3 p.m. to 6-30 p.m.
Circus Band in the Garden from 4 p.m.
Featuring.
40 PICKED PERFORMERS 40
160 ANIMALS 160
MME. FILLIS—Masterful controller of dogs and horses.
COL. FILLIS—Wonderful Horseman and Trainer.
DAISY COOKE—Wonderful Tight Wire Dancer.
LA BELLE LAVINIA—Foot Equilibrist.
DANILOFF—Daring Trick Horsewoman.
AJAX—Boneless Marvel.
CLEOPATRA—Queen of Reptiles.
FELIX—Master of Elephant and Monkeys.
BATTY, BEATTE and BEBE—Club Jugglery.
BOB—The Bucking Elephant.
LES BRETONS—Scientific and Trick Cyclist.
M. ROUGALIO—and his Seven Huge Performing Tigers.
and
MERRY CLOWNS—Headed by PICCOLO and SHADOW.
Booking at Rose & Co.'s from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. to-day.
Booking at The Theatre from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 3 to 6 p.m. daily.
Prices:—Rs. 5, 4, 3, 2 Re. 1 and 8 Annas.

THIS EVENING AT 6-45 P. M.
POPULAR PICTURES
Prices:—Rs. 2 1/8, 1, and 8 Ans.

HEAVEN ON EARTH
was found by Roger Curwell when he met
"HELL MORGAN'S GIRL"
See this Bluebird Extraordinary.
CAN HE BE SAVED?
Is there an oasis in the desert of crime and immorality?
There is a true, gripping, masterful answer in
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AMUSEMENTS:

At 6-30 TO-NIGHT At 10-0
GAIETY THEATRE EDWARDES

PALACE
OF VARIETIES
TOM MELBOURNE'S
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TOM & EILEEN MELBOURNE
PEGGY AND ROSIE CASTELLO,
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A New Musical Comedietta
GOOD-BYE FOR EVER
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THE WOMAN WHO WOULDN'T
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REAL VAUDEVILLE PROGRAMME
THAT REMINDS ONE OF HOME

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To-day Monday, To-morrow Tuesday and Wednesday 19th
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THE ROMANCE OF "OLD BILL"
A Fragment from France in Two Explosions
Six Splinters and Gas Attack
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Music Composed and Arranged by
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Thursday 20th and Friday 21st
"THE BING BOYS ARE HERE"
PRICES AS USUAL.
Plan open at ROSE and Co. After 7 p.m. at the Theatre.

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"NEAL OF THE NAVY"
The most Sensational Serial of the Season.
Fourth Instalment 8000 ft.
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In connection with the Serial Cash Prizes of Rs. 500 will be given away.
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IN AID OF THE
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BY THE
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A very full and attractive programme, consisting of comic plays in English and Guzarati, orchestral music conducted by Mr. B. D. PADAMJEE, Fancy Skipping, Garbas in Guzerati and other items.
POPULAR PRICES.
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THE EMPIRE
To-day at 6-30, 8-15 & 10 p. m.
First appearance at the Empire of the charming American Star
MARGARITA FISHER
in a beautiful romance of the Southern seas
'THE PEARL OF PARADISE'

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A Delightful Romance of Shipwrecked lovers
BEAUTIFUL NATURAL SCENERY! MAGNIFICENTLY PRODUCED
AN ARTISTIC TRIUMPH! in 5 Acts.
EMPIRE COMEDIES, PATHES GAZETTE

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Comming Thursday Dec. 20th.
NO PICTURES. TWICE NIGHTLY. NO PICTURES.
6-30 and 9-45 p. m.
TOM MELBOURNES
GRAND CHRISTMAS PANTOMIME
ALADDIN
AND HIS
WONDERFUL LAMP

Enough to make a Cat laugh.
FULL CAST AUGMENTED COMPANY NEW SCENERY GORGEOUS COSTUMES.
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SEVEN SCENES. 1 BENEATH THE PYRAMID. 2 OUTSIDE WIDOW TWANKY'S COTTAGE. 3 ON THE ROAD TO THE CAVES.
4 THE ENCHANTED CAVE OF A MILLION JEWELS.
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7 ABANAZAR'S TURKISH BATHS
TWO AND A HALF-HOURS OF GENUINE FUN AND HEALTHY AMUSEMENT.
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I Saw it last year in Calcutta and I am still laughing.

The entire production Exactly the same as produced by TOM MELBOURNE for the last four years in Colombo Calcutta, Shanghai, and Hong Kong.

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The eminent English Actor.
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"MYSTERY OF THE DOUBLE CROSS"
Commencing January 5th.

Four further new parts of the

"SECRET OF THE SUBMARINE"

are screened this week.

This powerful, scientific Serial, apart from its scientific and topical sides, is, withal, an excellent story with a good moral, and a lesson running through its essentially human passages.

Moreover, there is a spirit of restless excitement, a healthy, strong, ever-buoyant, breezy movement running throughout the play, that brings with it a veritable breath from the sea, mingled with the spice of a good, healthy romanticism

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ALSO THE LATEST
GAUMONT GAZETTE
and a screaming Comic.

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MISS TARABAI
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The performance given by Miss Tarabai is most entertaining. In her feats exhibiting sheer strength and endurance Miss Tarabai is unique. There is neither magic nor trick. Miss Tarabai avows that there is nothing superhuman in her feats and points out that it is within the reach of every one to acquire such powers. Regular practice, earnestness and steadfastness have made her what she is! Miss Tarabai by her strong Will controls every inch of her body. See her only once, and you will feel proud of her!

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The balancing artists, gymnasts, conjurer, and acrobats, forming Miss "Tarabai's" troupe likewise contribute turns which are much admired and greatly applauded by the great concourse of people who throng every night to witness this wonderful performance.

Miss Pillar's feats of cycling and balancing on wire, **Mr. Ambrosio's** balancing feats, and **Mr. Manan's** cycling feats are simply charming!

In short, this programme from a spectacular point of view leaves nothing to be desired.

LOCATION—Spacious tent near Grant Road Station. One minute's walk from Tram Terminus.

ONE SHOW EVERY NIGHT AT 9-30 (S. T.)
SATURDAY AND SUNDAY:
Special Matinee Show: 4-30 (S. T.)

Special tram arrangements are made for the convenience of patrons at the close of the show.

Book your seats early to avoid disappointment, as packed audiences are a daily feature.

COMMERCIAL.

CABLE QUOTATIONS.

COTTON.

LIVERPOOL COTTON.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

Liverpool, Dec. 14th.

		Bales.
Total Day's Sales at Liverpool		2,000
" " Sales on Spec. & for Exp.		...
" " Sales of East Indian		200
" " Imports		11,000
Mid. Americans spot trading value		22.31
Egyptian F.G.F. spot Sakellaridis		31.65
New York 11 a.m., (As known in Liverpool at closing time)	Mar.	28.99
	May	28.77
	July	28.53
New Orleans 10 a.m.	March	Not
	May	quoted.

OPENING TONE AND PRICES

Liverpool, Dec. 14th.

FUTURE DELIVERY PRICES:—

New Contracts.

Months.	To-day's price.
January	22.60
March	22.60
May	22.52

Old Contracts.

Months.	To-day's price.
Dec.	21.16
Dec.-Jan.	21.01
Jan.-Feb.	20.91
Feb.-Mar.	20.82
March-April	20.73
April-May	20.65
May-June.	20.51
June-July.	20.49

CLOSING PRICES.

Liverpool, Dec. 14th.

New Contracts.

Months.	To-day's price.
January	22.57
February	22.60
March	22.55
April	22.51
May	22.47

Old Contracts.

Dec.	21.16
Dec.-Jan.	21.01
Jan.-Feb.	20.91
Feb.-Mar.	20.82
March-April.	20.73
April-May.	20.65
May-June.	20.57
June-July.	20.49

EGYPTIAN COTTON.

Liverpool, Dec. 14th.

New Contracts.

Months.	To-day's price.
January	31.25
March	30.85
May	30.75

ADDITIONAL QUOTATIONS.

Liverpool, Dec. 14th.

Mid. Bengal Good	16.22
" " Fully Good	17.47
" " Fine	17.72
No. 1 Oomra Good	18.56
" " Fully Good	18.81
" " Fine	19.06
Broach Good	20.99
" Fully Good	21.17
" Fine	21.36
Scinde Good	17.22
" Fully Good	17.47
" Fine	17.72

LIVERPOOL COTTON STATISTICS.

London, Dec. 14th.

	Bales.
Total Actual Export	Nil
" Forwarded	53,000
" Imports	148,000
" Stock	401,000
Actual Weekly Sales	16,000

AMERICAN MARKETS.

New York, Dec. 13th.

Day's Exports to Great Britain	4,000
" " to Continent	Nil
Fair Rio Coffee (No. 7 quality)	7¾
Demand Bills	4.75.25
Silver Commercial Bars	65½

New York, Dec. 14th.

Day's Receipts at all U. S Ports	31,000
Day's Exports to Great Britain	3,000
" to Continent	4,000
Futures at New York Mar.	28.54—69
" " May	28.34—50
" " July	28.09—58
Spot Cotton at New York	30.70 Nil
" at New Orleans	29.00—25
Futures at New Orleans Mar.	27.66—50
" May	27.51—65
Fair Rio Coffee (No. 7 quality)	7¾
Demand Bills	4.75.25
Silver Commercial Bars	66½

Bales

Week's Receipts of Cotton at U. S. Ports	128,000
" Exports to Great Britain	60,000
" to France and Continent	26,000
" to Japan	19,000
Stock of Cotton at U. S. Ports	1,282,000
" at Interior Ports	1,129,000

MONEY MARKETS.

London, Dec. 14th

Bar Silver Spot	43 1/8
Closing Tone of Silver:—Small demand steady.	
Discount Bank of England Rate 5 per cent. since 5th April, 1917	
Discount Bank Bills 3 m/st	4 13/16
Discount Indian Bank Bills 6 m/st.	4 3/4
" Fine Trade Bills 3 months	5 1/8
" " 6 "	5 3/8
Interest day to day loans	4
" 7 day market loans	4 1/4
Consols 2½%	54⅜
Rupee Paper 5½% Nominal	48½
Indian Stock 3½% Sterling Loan	63
Government Securities 2½%	54½
Ex on London at Paris	Francs 27.21

WAR LOANS.

London, Dec. 14th.

5½% 1925—1928	£84½
4½% 1925—1945	£89½
5% New	£93½

MISCELLANEOUS MARKETS.

London, Dec. 14th

WHEAT:

Wheat Unchanged.

RAPESEED.

Rapeseed Yellow Guzerat, 416 lbs. ex-Ship per ton Oct.-Nov. Sellers	600
Toria Rapeseed Nov.-Dec. Buyers	595

LINSEED.

Linseed Bombay per 416 lbs. ex-Ship per ton Nov.-Dec. Buyers	609

METALS.

English best Selected Copper	£121
Standard Copper G. M. B. Nominal	£119½
Hard Spelter Nominal	—

JAVA SUGAR:

Raw Java Nos. 16/18 C. & F. Calcutta Dec. Buyers	17/6
Fine White Java C. & F. Calcutta Dec. Buyers	20

Tone:—Nothing Doing.

RUBBER.

Para Rubber Fine Hard Cure Dec.-Jan. Value	2/8
Plantation First Latex Crepe Dec. Irregular	2/3½

BOMBAY MARKETS.

COTTON.

(*From our Commercial Correspondent.*)

The nominal quotation this morning for Good Broach April was Rs. 537, the latest Home cables then received being the Liverpool and New York close of Thursday. The Marwadi bazaar opened firm at Rs. 539 for Good Broach and gradually advanced to Rs. 545½ on buying in the bazaar. The rate then dropped to Rs. 542½ and fluctuated between this and Rs. 545. At Colaba business was done in Good Broach at Rs. 546½ and in Fine Khamgaum Akola January at Rs. 555. The market closed irregular at Rs. 545 for Good Broach. A fairly large business has been done during the day.

Ready cotton has been firm with a fair enquiry by exporters and mills, and prices are higher all round.

QUOTATIONS 6 P.M.

NEW CROP.

Good Broach	April	=	545
Fine Hinganghat Wardah	January	=	588
" Nagpur Kamptl	"	=	584
" Khamgaon Akola	"	=	569
" Khandesh	"	=	522
" Muthia	"	=	512
" Bengal	"	=	472
Fully Good Bengal	"	=	434

QUOTATIONS 9-30 P. M.

NEW CROP.

Broach Good	April	541/2
Bengal Fully Good	January	434
Akola	January	555

RECEIPTS.

The following are the receipts of cotton produce, etc for the 24 hours ending 6 p.m. of 14th December:—

Cotton	16,500 bales.
Wheat	29,080 cwts
Linseed	3,237 "
Rape, Rai & Mustardseed, etc.	689 "
Gingellyseed	95 "
Poppyseed	Nil "
Groundnuts	468 "
Castorseed	1,370 "
Rice	29,968 "
Myrabollams	420 "
Cottonseed	4,259 "
Mowrasseed	72 "
Gram	1,485 "
Jowar	803 "
Maize	Nil "
Barley	409 "

BULLION.

The silver market was steady.
Bar Gold 27-8.
Sovereign 17-1-6.
Silver Ready Ex-duty 101-14.
Silver 1st Sett. ex-duty 102-4.

EXCHANGE.

Bank Tel. Transfer 1/4 31/32.
Bank demand drafts 1/5 1/32.
3 months' sight Credits 1/5 13/32.
Bank demand on France Fr. 192½.
3 months' sight France Fr. 201.
D. D. on Hongkong Rs. 213½.
D. D. on Shanghai Rs. 305.
T. T. on Japan Rs. 150.
60 days sight Japan Rs. 143½.
Bank demand on New York Rs. 297½.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

The following are the nominal rates:
5 per cent War Loan 1929-47.
Cum-warrant 95.
Warrant 0-9-0 per cent.
4 per cent Conversion Loan 82.
4 per cent Terminable Loan 92.
3½ per cent Small pieces 69¼.
3 per cent Small pieces 57.
4 per cent Port Trust Bond guaranteed redeemable 3 months' notice 86.
4 per cent Port Trust Bond long-dated 79½.
Municipal long-dated 78½.
Municipal short-dated 90.
City Improvement Trust 60 years Jan-July 78.
4 per cent Municipal Tansa 93.
Sanitary 92.
The following are the Bank rates:—
Bank of Bombay 6 per cent.
Bank of Bengal 5 per cent.
Bank of Madras 6 per cent.

SHARES.

The share market remained steady with very little doing.

The following are the closing rates of the Bombay Stock Exchange:—

Standards 2,102/8, Swan 515, Simplex 917/8, Shapurji 150, Pearls 642/8, New Greats 305, Madhavjee 2,300, Kohinoor 1,030, Indore Malwa 400, Indian Bleeching 230, Finlay 435, Fazulbhoy 852/8, David 642/8, Currimbhoy 432/8, Crescent 271/4, Colaba 1,370, Century 442/8, Bombay United 845, Central India 2,625, Bombay Dyeing 1,060, Katni Ordy 282/8, Tata Ordy 265, Deferreds 1,160, Alcock, 1,145, Bombay Tramway 367/8, Bombay Steam 305, Bombay Burma 1,070, Tata Hydro 1,170.

The following are the closing rates of the New Stock Exchange:—

Standards 2,105, Swan 525, Simplex 915/8, Shapurji 151/8, Pearls 637/8, Madhavjee 2,280, Indore Malwa 405, Finlay 432/8, Fazulbhoy 855, Davids 645, Currimbhoy 435, Crescent 273/12, Century 445, Central India 2,615, Katni Ordy 250, Tata Ordy 268/12, Alcock 1,150, Bombay Tram 370.

PIECE-GOODS.

The Cloth Market has been extremely quiet to-day, although the demand is usually brisk on the first day of the Hindu month. The enquiry is next to nothing and dealers have hardly made any sales. Rupee rates have been nominally steady, but sellers are willing to give concessions if buyers could be found. Brokers are having a dull time, and it is expected that there will be no improvement in the bazaar at least for a further fortnight. On the other hand, the consuming markets are said to be light of stocks, and fresh buying will commence as soon as the market settles down at the reduced rates. The strong position of the Manchester Market has been and will be a great support to the bazaar here, but importing firms will find it very difficult to work fresh forward business, as the gulf between the prices offered and those quoted is getting wider day by day. This may revive the speculative element as soon as the money market is easier. Some importing firms have made it their regular business to purchase from the bazaar standard chops of different firms and resell them to their dealers when the opportunity arrives. This has so far helped the merchants a good deal, but such transactions do not tend to reduce stocks as the goods again find their way in the market.

STOCK OF PIECE-GOODS AND YARNS.

The list issued by the Bombay Chamber of Commerce indicates a stock of 30,707 bales and 23,494 cases of cotton piecegoods as on the 30th November last, which shows a decrease of 1,229 bales and 2,977 cases compared with the figures of the previous month. The stock of Cotton Twist and Yarns on the 30th November last stands at 3,338 packages, which shows a decrease of 243 packages as compared with the previous month. The actual deliveries of cotton piece-goods from the Port Trust and Importers' Godowns have been 18,749 packages.

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Description.		A	B	C	D	E	F	Corresponding Stocks on 30th Nov				
		Stock on 31st Oct. 1917.	Imports during Nov. 1917.	Stock on 30th Nov. 1917.	Approximate total deliveries during Nov. 1917.	Increase or Decrease of Stock as compared with previous month.	Actual deliveries from Port Trust & Importers' Godowns.	1916.	1915.	1914.	1913.	1912.
(1) Cotton Piece-goods	Bales.	31,936		30,707		—1,229	11,580	24,625	46,824	63,003	42,178	26,710
(2) Cotton Piece-goods	Cases.	26,471		23,494		—2,977	7,169	23,289	48,317	104473	68,194	86,259
(3) Silk and Woollen Piece-goods	Bales.	1,146		1,178		+32	313	420	518	1,172	941	696
(4) Silk and Woollen Piece-goods	Cases.	1,794		1,585		—209	348	1,055	1,200	2,830	3,037	2,490
(5) Cotton Twist and Yarns	Packages.	3,581		3,338		—243	1,296	8,067	7,740	11,038	7,675	8,820
(6) Silk and Woollen Twist and Yarns	Packages.	2,154		2,000		—154	643	3,446	2,954	1,375	2,692	2,474
(7) Copper—Braziers	Tons.	1,082		949		—133	137	2,199	3 813	4,481	1,969	1,106
(8) YellowMetal—Braziers	Tons.	237		204		—33	72	664	1,785	3,466	1,744	1,149

Figures not available.

N. B.—Approximate Total Deliveries (Columns D) are arrived at by adding Column A and Column B and deducting therefrom (Column C). It should be noted however that the figures in Column B are obtained from the Bills of Entry and that the goods which they represent may not have been actually received in the Docks during the month named. The Total Delivery Figures therefore, while working out correctly in the long run, can only be considered as approximate in regard to each particular month.

BOMBAY CITY AND SUBURBS.

LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS.

TUESDAY, Dec. 18.

Meeting of the Senate of the University of Bombay, Sir Cowasji Jehangir Hall, 5-45 p.m.

AMUSEMENTS.

TO-NIGHT.

Royal Opera House of Fillis Circus at Royal Opera House, 5 p.m. and 9-30 p.m.
Excelsior Theatre: Bandman Opera in "Better'ole" at 9-30 and "Shielding Shadow" at 6-30 p.m.
Palace of Varieties: 6-30 and 10 p.m. Show at the Gaiety Theatre.
Imperial Cinema: Lamington Road, 7-0, 8-45, and 10-30.
Olympia Cinema: Sandhurst Road.
New Alexandra Cinema: Lohar Chawl, Princess Street.
Empire Cinema: 4-30, 6-30, 8-15 and 10 p.m.
West End Cinema: Charni Road: 5-30, 7-0 8-45 and 10-15.
Eldorado Cinema: Lamington Road, 6-45, 8-30 and 10-0.
Anglo-American Cinema: Sandhurst Road 7-0, 8-30 and 10-30.
New Alhambra Cinema: Sandhurst Road, 7-45, 9-0 and 10-45.

BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE.

Dec. 15.

Sunday, 16th.—Class Firing, Santa Cruz, for members detailed. Train leaves Churchgate 6-30 a.m.
Monday, 17th.—7-15 a.m. Riding School, Fort.
Tuesday, 18th.—6-45 a.m. Squadron Parade, "A," "B," "C" and "D" Troops, Jackal Club Flats.
Wednesday, 19th.—7-0 a.m. Musketry Class Volunteer Club, Orderly N.C.O. Corpl. Kay.
Thursday, 20th.—7-15 a.m. Riding School Fort.
Friday, 21st—7-15 a.m. Riding School, Fort.
7-0 a.m. Musketry Class, Salsette Detachment Jackal Club Flats. Orderly N.C.O. Sergt. Hearson.
Saturday, 22nd.—7-0 a.m. Musketry Class, Volunteer Club, Orderly N.C.O. Corpl. Kay.
6-45 a.m. Riding School, Santa Cruz. Class Firing at Santa Cruz for members detailed. Train leaves Churchgate, 3-3 p.m.

NOTICE.

Subjects for Monday's after dinner lecture in camp: "Scouting."

(Sd.) E. G. PEARSON,
2-Lt. & Adjt. B. L. Horse.

BOMBAY ARTILLERY.

PART I. Bombay, Dec. 16.

Duties for the week.
Orderly Officer:—Second-Lieut. Ellis Jones.

DRILLS.

Compulsory parades commencing Sunday, 16th December, 1917.
Sunday. 7-15 a.m. Colaba.—All ranks who have not fired their Musketry to attend. Ranges 1, 2, 3, and 400 yards. Supervisors:—Second-Lieuts. Jones, Murray, and Staff. There will be a Match Shoot also of 24 aside between Gunner and E. E. Companies.

GUNNER COMPANIES.

Monday. 7-15 a.m.—Mahaluxmi (2 hours) Nos. 1, 2, and 5 General Service Companys, and C & D Sub-Sections, No. 1 Reserve Company (excluding men detailed for 1st January parade.)
Tuesday. 7-15 a.m.—At Mahaluxmi (2 hours) Men detailed for 1st January parade only.
Friday 7-15 a.m.—Mahaluxmi (2 hours) all men detailed for 1st January parade.
Friday 7-15 a.m.—Headquarters A & B Sub-Sections, Reserve Company, 1 hour; others 2 hours. All ranks, except 1st January parade detailed, Company Drill Route March.

E. E. COMPANY.

Monday. 6 p.m.—Arsenal (2 hours) Experts and Extra Efficients.
Tuesday. 6-15 p.m.—Arsenal (2 hours) Efficient and Non-Efficients.
Friday. 7-15 a.m.—Headquarters (2 hours) all ranks.

SPECIALISTS.

Signallers:—As ordered by Sergt. W. Geldert. Other Specialists will parade with their Companies.

BAND.

As ordered by the Bandmaster but will attend the Corps parade on Friday.

INSTRUCTORS.

Headquarters. Staff.—Recruits' Evening parades, Bomrs. Flyn and Ward.—Cadets. Cpl. Cassidy.

MAHALUXMI.

Bomrs. Flynn and Ward.

GENERAL SERVICE.

The following have been selected for General Service at Poona, (group 6. January to March). Any representation to the President of the Selection Committee should be made before the 19th instant.
No. 25 Sergt. V. V. Smith. No. 378 Corpl. A. V. Harris. No. 237 Gr. Filmore.
No. 168 Gr. J. B. Green. No. 198 Gr. A. Vorhald. No. 194 Gr. J. G. Herring.
No. 147 Gr. J. Osborne. No. 132 Gr. R. W. Delaney. No. 160 Gr. A. Dickson.
No. 572 Cr. G. Dale.

(Sd.) P. H. PETALIACK, Capt.
Adjutant, Bombay Artillery, I.D.F.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

Bombay, Dec. 15.

No. 334. Detail.—Duties will be furnished by No. 1 Company during December. Next for duty during January No. 2 Company.
No. 335. Recruits.—Drills are held daily at Headquarters at 7-15 a.m. and 6-30 p.m. except on Saturday afternoons and Sundays. Recruits who have drawn uniform must wear it on morning parades.
No. 336. Officers Examination.—It is notified for information that the second written examination for Officers, Indian Defence Force, will be held at the Skating Rink on the 20th and 21st December 1917 at 7-30 a.m. The second drill examination will be held during the first week in January.
No. 337. Officers parade.—All officers will parade at Headquarters at 7-30 a.m. Tuesday December 18th for instructive in Sword Exercises.
No. 338. Ceremonial parades.—The Battalion (with Bands) will parade as strong as possible at 7-15 a.m. on Fridays 21st and 28th December on the south end of Marine Lines Maidan. Tunics will be worn by all ranks on these parades.
No. 339. Lecture.—There will be a lecture at the Volunteer Club at 6-30 p.m. Monday 17th. All officers and N. C. O.'s not on duty will attend.
No. 360. Signalling.—Extract from 1st General Service Battalion, I.D.F., orders of 8th December 1917 is re-published for information:—
The undermentioned N.C.O. qualified at the Third Telephone Class ending on the 24th November 1917.
No. 1292 L/Cpl. Parsons P. J. "D" Company.
No. 363. Separation Allowances.—N.C.O.'s and men of groups 1 and 2 General Service, entitled to, but who have not drawn, Separation Allowances should inform the Sergeant Major immediately.
No. 364. General Service.—Attention is drawn to the lists of men detailed in Groups 7 and 8, (February and March) posted on Battalion Order Board on 11th instant.
No. 365. Musketry.—The range is allotted to Casuals during the ensuing week, in accordance with detail issued to Officers Commanding Companies. All available men in Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4 Companys must complete their course on these days.
No. 366. Clothing.—Hose Tops will be issued to men deficient on application to the Quartermaster any day next week.
No. 367. Posting.—Captain H. J. Dibbs will take over the duties of Second-in-Command No. 1 Company from Captain H. E. Ormiston proceeding on General Service.

(Sd.) C. N. MOBERLY, Major,
Adjutant, Bombay Vol. Rifles.

POONA RIFLES.

POONA, Dec. 14.

PART I.

1258 Drill and Instruction.—Parades for teh week ending Saturday 22-12-1917:—In Camp at Shelarvadi.
Monday 17th 7 to 8 a.m. Rifles Exercise ½ hour, Section and Platoon Drill 1 hour.
Monday 17th 8-45 to 10-45 a.m. Bayonet fighting ½ hour, firing positions and occupation of cover ½ hour, Extended order Drill ½ hour, Fire action by Platoon and reorganization ½ hour.
Monday 17th 4-30 to 6 p.m. Platoon and Company Drill.
Tuesday 18th 7 to 8 a.m., Fire Action, Artillery Formation.
Tuesday 18th 8-15 a.m. Situation I Attack.
Tuesday 18th 6 to 8 p.m. Situation II Outpost duty by night.
Wednesday 19th 7-30 a.m. Battalion in attack and defence.
Wednesday 19th 4-30 p.m. Criticism on operations upto date, practise errors by Companies.
Thursday 20th 7-30 a.m. Situation III Attack, counter Attack, reorganization and retirement; Fighting.
Inspection by General Officer Commanding Division.
Thursday 20th 4-30 p.m. Criticism on morning parades, practise errors by Companies.
Friday 21st 7-30 a.m. Situation IV Escort to convoy. Inspection by General Officer Commanding Brigade.
Friday 21st 6-30 to 9 p.m. Night March by Compass bearings. (Competition).
Saturday 22nd 6-30 a.m. Situation V Field Firing.
Saturday 22nd 4-30 p.m. Criticism on work carried out during Camp. General remarks. All officers to bring to note any points of importance from notes made during operations.
1296 Leave. The undermentioned are granted leave of absence for the period stated against their names:—
No. 580 Pvte. F. X. Fernandez Kurdwadi Detr. 22-12-1917 to 5-1-1918.
No. 644 Pvte. C. S. C. Harrison A'nagar Detr. 19-12-1917 to 18-1-1918.
1287 Promotion. The Commanding Officer is pleased to make the following promotions in "A" Company:—
No. 64. Coy. Qr. Mr. Sergt. Mather C. to be Company Sergeant Major.
No. 2 Sergeant Master R.M. to be Company Quartermaster Sergeant.

(Sd.) A. R. KEARSEY, Capt.,
Adjutant Poona Rifles.

BAND AT THE P. V. MARY GYMKHANA.

By kind permission of Colonel T. W. Bonner, V. D. and Officers, the Band of the 1st Battalion, G. I. P. Railway Regiment will play a programme of music, under the direction of Mr. Hugh B. Mitchell, Bandmaster, commencing at 6-15 p.m. to-day.

UNIVERSITY OF BOMBAY,

An adjourned meeting of the Senate will be held in the Sir Cowasji Jehangir Hall on Tuesday, the 18th instant, at 5-45 p.m.

GANDHARVA MAHA VIDYALAYA.

H. H. the Maharajah of Mysore has presented his colored life size photograph to the Institution to be kept in the museum.

BOMBAY SCOTTISH ORPHANAGE SOCIETY.

DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES.

The annual meeting and prize distribution ceremony of the Bombay Scottish Orphanage Society took place at Mahim on Saturday evening, Sir Basil Scott presiding. There was a large number of ladies and gentlemen present at the function.

The Hon. Secretary, Mr Dibbs, in the course of the report for the last year, stated that at the beginning of 1917 there were 50 boarders—30 boys and 20 girls—and 17 day scholars; at present there were 52 boarders and 14 day scholars. The school was inspected on the 16th July by the Inspector of Schools, and he had remarked that it was well-managed and that there was plenty of intelligence among the pupils; one more teacher was urgently required. The school had had considerable difficulty in filling up the appointments on the staff, but arrangements had been made since then. The physical welfare of the students was kept well in view, and Dr. D. A. D'Monte had continued to act as the hon. medical adviser to the institution for which the Society were thankful to him. Some of the improvements to their buildings could not be carried out last year, but they were now in hand. They had received a sum of Rs. 20,000 from the Bombay Provincial Committee of the European School Improvement Association, for which the Society was thankful to them. The Committee had also continued to receive valuable support from many new and old supporters of theirs. Six boys had joined the army, and one boy had been made prisoner at Kut.

Prof. Nelson Fraser, the President of the Governing Body, in proposing that the report be approved and adopted, said they were thankful to Miss Green, the Acting Superintendent for the conduct of the school in the past year, and the management had been carried on as efficiently as possible.

Mr. J. D. Inglis seconded and the report was adopted.

Mrs. Glen-Liston then distributed the prizes to the students.

PRESIDENT'S SPEECH.

Sir Basil Scott said the Society had been in existence for the last 72 years, and the Orphanage had spread its roots far and wide. There were collectors and committees of the Society all over India, and even in such places as East Africa. The Society was able to support 70 boarders ten years ago, but now they were supporting only 52 boarders, and the cost of maintaining each student was Rs. 10 higher now than it was ten years ago. He, therefore, thought that the subscribers should give more help to the Society if it was to be kept in satisfactory condition. They were thankful to the late Mr. Anderson and Mr. H R. Todman for their help to the institution and also to Miss Green, their Acting Superintendent for her management. In addressing the students Sir Basil said there was some danger in being brought up in such a climate as that of Bombay, but they must remember that their forefathers came from Scotland, who were held in admiration all over the world. They must remember the fine example of Sir Douglas Haig who was the Commander-in-Chief on the Western Front.

After some songs had been sung the meeting terminated.

MAN RUN OVER BY TRAIN.

SHOCKING FATALITY.

Mr. A. R. King, Deputy Coroner, held an inquest at the Coroner's Court touching the death of Paul Alves, aged about 45 years, a jetter on the Port Trust Railway. The evidence was to the effect that on Saturday morning the deceased was seen walking between the down line and the drain on its western side between Victoria Bridge and the Naboh Tank Bridge at Mazagon. He was about to cross and had one leg over the rail and the other on the ballast outside the rail. He was going towards the north-east and a train came from behind him. It was fifteen feet behind him then. A witness said he heard no whistle but the light was clear, it was about 7-40 a.m. There is a clear way from the bend after passing Mastan Tank Bridge to the spot where the deceased lay, and a clear view could be obtained from a distance of about eight-hundred feet. When witness saw the deceased stepping on the line he shouted "The man has gone." The train did not stop anywhere before it came to Victoria Bridge. He alighted from the trolly which was passing along the other line. He found a snuff bottle, and a boot jammed in the rail and another boot three feet further between the rails. He then saw a piece of bone and a piece of flesh on the points and saw a cap further off. The distance from where the snuff bottle was to the body was seventy-three feet and from the bottle to the jammed boot eighteen feet. The body must have been dragged by the engine. The speed of the train must have been about ten to twelve miles an hour. He heard afterwards that it was engine No. 11. There were three waggons attached to it. He saw the back of the head of a man as the engine passed.

"NO WHISTLE."

Inspector Gough said he went to the spot, from where he went in search of the engine and found it at the Oil Tanks at Wari Bunder. When he got up to it the driver was oiling the front wheel. He examined the wheels but found no blood in them but the left front wheel had much grease on it and seemed to have been just cleaned. The driver said in reply to his question, that he was oiling the wheel. He also said that he saw a dead body when he was returning from the grain depot. He did not know that anything unusual had happened when he was going north from the Naboh Tank Bridge. It is possible to walk on the path alongside the down line without being struck by a passing train. When the Inspector went he saw the driver and a fireman on duty at the engine. The fireman said he did not notice anything unusual. The inspector pointed out that fresh grease had been put on the left front wheel of the engine. The deceased had to cross the line to go to his work.

The jury returned a verdict that the death was caused by the deceased having been accidentally run over by a Port Trust Railway train, that no whistle was blown and that it appeared therefore that a proper look-out was not kept on the engine, which was not stopped after the accident.

PRESS ASSOCIATION OF INDIA.

The annual meeting of the All-India Press Association will be held at Calcutta on the 29th instant at 6 p.m.

ALL-INDIA MOSLEM LEAGUE.

ARRANGEMNTS FOR VISITORS.

The Honorary Secretary of the All-India Moslem League Reception Committee writes:—

The next Annual Session of the All-India Moslem League will be held in Calcutta on the 30th and 31st December 1917. A strong and Representative Committee has been formed for making necessary preparations for the sittings of the League and suitable arrangements for the comfort of the members.

For the comfort and convenience of those interested in the League the following rules have been framed:—

Guest-House:—

Members from the Moffussil only will be accommodated during the sittings of the League in the Guest-Houses without any fee. They will not have to pay anything for Board and Lodging (Indian Style). They are requested to bring with them warm clothing bedding, mosquito-curtains and other necessary articles of comfort.

Members of the All-India Moslem League desirous of living in European style will be accommodated in the European Hotels and will be required to pay all the charges of such hotels. They are requested to send in advance Rs. 20 on or before 20th December 1917, for quarters being engaged for them in time.

Duty shops will be opened for their convenience at the Pandal and the Guest-Houses.

Servants will be allowed to stay at the Guest-Houses free of charge.

Members desirous of attending the League and staying at the Guest-Houses are requested to inform the Secretary to the Reception Committee, of their intentions, before the 20th December 1917. The Reception Committee will not be responsible for accommodation of those members who do not apply in time.

All members of the Reception Committee will be allowed to sit on the dais but no member will be allowed to take any part in the deliberations of the League until and unless he becomes a member of the All-India Moslem League. The membership fee of All-India Moslem League is Rs. 6.

Visitors will be allowed to attend the sessions of the League on payment of Rs. 2 for reserved seats and Re. 1, for unreserved seats. Seats for Visitors are strictly limited and intending visitors are requested to book early to avoid rush and disappointment.

The members of the Reception Committee are required to pay Rs. 5, only.

MUNICIPAL REFORM ASSOCIATION BOMBAY.

The Hon. Secretaries of the Municipal Reform Association send us the following for publication:

Suuject:—How the Ratepayers should control their Representatives on the Bombay Municipal Corporation.

(1) By taking interest in the Municipal affairs of the City.

(2) By observing what work their Representatives do in the Corporation and in what manner they represent the grievances of the public.

(3) By watching how their Representatives vote for or against a proposition affecting the popular interest.

(4) By asking their Representatives to represent the Ratepayers' opinion on important questions and not their own individual views and opinions to the detriment of public interest.

(5) By making their Representatives understand that they are the mouthpieces of the Ratepayers and therefore they should not vote for or against an important proposition affecting the public interest, without consulting their electorate.

(6) By asking their Representatives to submit every year to their electorate a report of the work they did during that period.

(7) By passing in a meeting a vote of want of confidence in their Representatives if they disregard and fail to respect the popular opinion.

(8) By passing a resolution in a meeting expressing their confidence in their Representatives who represent the views of the people in the Corporation; and

(9) And by co-operating with the Municipal Reform Association Bombay in its work of publishing the proceedings of the Corporation and the Standing Committee affecting the public interests for the information of the people and thus bring to the notice of the Ratepayers in what manner their Representatives discharge their duties in the interests of Ratepayers in the Corporation and the Standing Committee as Representatives of the people.

THE RAJA OF MAHMUDABAD.

MR. JINNAH'S "AT HOME."

Last evening the Hon. Mr. Jinnah was "At Home" in honour of the Hon. the Rajah Sahib of Mahmudabad at Shanti Bhuvan, the residence of Mr. Narottam Morarjee Goculdas which presented a gay appearance. A large number of guests were present. The Rajah Sahib, who is well-known among the leading citizens here, was given a cordial reception on arrival. After being formally introduced the assembled guests, proceeded to partake of refreshments, which were provided on a lavish scale. The party dispersed after spending a very enjoyable evening. The Rajah Sahib, who is a guest of Mr. Jinnah will be staying here for a couple of days more.

In Bahraich Moharram riot case the trial of twenty-one Mahomedans upon charges of rioting and causing damage with the knowledge that their action would be likely to insult the religion of a certain class of Hindus has just been completed. Twenty out of twenty one accused have been found guilty and sentenced to punishments varying from one year to twelve stripes.

REFORM OF INDIAN CONSTITUTION.

PROF. LIMAYE ON BICAMERAL SYSTEM.

A lecture on "The Bicameral System of Legislature with special reference to Indian conditions" was delivered by Prof. Limaye last evening at the Servants of India Society's Home in Sandhurst Road. Mr. N. M. Samarth presided.

Mr. Samarth in introducing the lecturer said that the place of the Bicameral System was well considered before rejection by those who framed the Congress-League Scheme and that the views of the lecturer should be instructive since reforms were in the air.

Prof. Limaye said that the consideration of the subject of the lecture was not merely of academic interest, because it was a time when even in England the constitution stood suspended and proposals were made for the abolition of the party system after the war. In India the administration was condemned by the Parliamentary tribunal which investigated the Mesopotamian campaign and all sorts of changes were proposed. Besides the Congress-League Scheme and the Curtis proposals, there were other suggestions of reforms going before Mr. Montagu. Influential bodies had mentioned the framing of a second camber. The lecturer quoted Lecky in whose view a unicameral system was the worst possible in a democratic constitution. In Europe, America, Australia, and Japan they found the existence of a single chambers were failures as in the case of Cromwell's experiments, the French Government of 1791 and the German constitution of 1843. Besides a strong array of arguments, the experience of twenty centuries was said to support the second chamber as a necessity. Four arguments were generally given in its favour. Many believed that a second chamber gave greater circumspection to the legislature, that two houses supplemented each other's defects, that it averted the risk of the popular chamber not representing the will of the nation at stirring times, and that it gave independence to the executive arm of Government. The lecturer did not believe in its necessity or efficacy. Its value was exaggerated and the belief endured as a venerable superstition which dies hard.

INDIAN CONDITIONS.

In India they should decide entirely upon the merits of the institution, not on traditions. The universality of the bicameral system was no argument. In practice there was great diversity in the composition and power of second chambers and uniformity was nominal. The independence of the executive was an argument which looked well on paper. The predominant house always controlled it. The fact that a referendum elicited conservative views countenanced the belief that a single chamber need not be exposed to much danger from momentary impulsiveness. Nor was a second chamber any cure for it. It was too costly a price for delay and deliberation. A qualified veto in the head of the State would suffice. In India the present legislatures represented both territorial and communal interests. No separation was necessary through an upper house. The evolution of India forbade the second chamber which was usual in federations. The lecturer proposed a variation which provided for a second chamber which consisted of a joint meeting where popular representatives sat in council with representatives of Indian States and shouldered common responsibilities.

The president said in his speech that a second chamber would be a superfluity or a nuisance. On the authority of Mill he demonstrated its weakness and showed that the Government must always have before it the risk of dissolution. Such a threat would control the temper of Government and on that principle the Congress League Scheme was based

KARACHI HOME RULE LEAGUE.

PROTESTS AGAINST SOME INTERNMENTS

(ASSOCIATED PRESS)

KARACHI, Dec. 11.

The following resolution was unanimously passed at a public meeting held under the auspices of the Karachi Branch of the Home Rule League on the 9th instant:—

"This public meeting of the citizens of Karachi strongly protests against the continued incarceration in jail of Prof. Jawhermal T. Mansukhani under the Ingress of India Act, and the internment of Messrs. Abdul Majid and Mahomed Sadik from Sind and of other people from other parts of the country under the Defence of India Act, and requests the Government to release them immediately.

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A FRAGMENT OF HISTORY.

"Of all the many acts of injustice which have marked the conduct of the Government of India of late years, there is none, in my opinion, which can at all compare with their insolent treatment of the Indian National Congress. There is no subject, I consider, upon which the English press and the English public have been so cruelly and persistently misled by the Government party."—

Sir Richard Garth, ex-Chief Justice of Bengal, in the "Law Magazine and Review" of April 1895.

We have already referred generally to the late Sir Richard Garth's sympathy for Indian aspirations and, in particular, to his views about reforms in the judicial administration of the country. Sir Richard Garth's greatest claim to the grateful memory of the Indian people, however, is his vigorous vindication of the Indian National Congress against the ill-conceived and malevolent attacks of a confirmed aspologist of Indian officialdom—Sir George Chesney. General Sir George Chesney was a member of the Viceregal Council from 1886 to 1891 and the author of a work styled "Indian Polity." In June 1894 he contributed to the "Nineteenth Century" an article on the Indian problem, of which the chief feature was that it illustrated very forcibly the spirit of intolerance alluded to in the passage quoted at the head of this article. The article evoked a prompt and spirited protest from Sir Richard Garth in the shape of a remarkably candid article in the "Law Magazine and Review," upon "India as it is, and as it might be." The article constituted a just and generous defence of the Indian National Congress. At the present day the attitude of the Government of India towards the Congress is fortunately different from what it was in Sir Richard Garth's time, but what the latter describes as "the Government party" and its apologists in the press here and in England, though they have modified their tactics somewhat, would still, if they had their way, treat the Congress with the same insolent intolerance, just as they still continue to repeat, with wearisome monotony, the worn-out heresies of their predecessors of two or three decades ago. To recall the essence of the castigation which Sir Richard Garth administered to Sir George Chesney may, therefore, have a practical utility to-day, apart from its historical interest.

It may be mentioned at the outset that Sir Richard Garth could "hardly conceive anything more calculated to wound the feelings and excite the disaffection of a people keenly sensitive to ridicule and insult, than the tone and language in which they were spoken of in that (Sir George Chesney's) article." Sir George Chesney described the Indian people generally as absolutely unfit for free institutions and, as Sir Richard Garth showed, "he would wish to deprive them, if he could, of those three great blessings which we are taught to regard as the very elements of freedom,—a free Press, a free Bar, and the right of publicly discussing their political views and opinions." But let that pass. His attacks were more particularly directed against the Indian National Congress. He held it up in most contemptuous language to ridicule and obloquy, speaking of it as "a class outside and apart from the people of India, properly so-called; a body made up of pleaders in the law courts, ex-students from Government colleges in want of employment, a class yearly increasing under our system of free (?) education, the class, in fact, which works the native press." He derided the proceedings of the Congress, insulted its chairmen and wound up by saying: "In fact the holders of these Congresses are a set of inept blundering political charlatans. They have never made one useful or practical suggestion, but their proceedings, when not merely silly, are undoubtedly mischievous." This is the burden of the song even now of our "Indo-Britishers," at home and abroad. Sir Richard Garth gave the lie to the charge with characteristic directness. "The Congress," he pointed out, "is a large, influential, and important assembly of earnest and patriotic gentlemen" who "are no more isolated than the members of the Carlton or the Reform or any other club in London." "I may also say," added Sir Richard, "that I know many native gentlemen of high rank and position, who, although thoroughly favourable to its views, have been deterred from taking as direct and open a part in the Congress proceedings as they would have wished to do, by the determined jealous hostility which the Government have manifested towards the movement." Sir Richard Garth then proceeded to point out what the Congress leaders did to deserve Sir George Chesney's invective:

"I will tell you what they have done. They have dared to think for themselves; and not only for themselves, but for the millions of poor ignorant people who compose our Indian Empire. They have been content to sacrifice their own interests and to brave the displeasure of Government, in order to lend a helping hand to those poor people. They have had the courage and the patriotism to denounce abuses, which have disgraced our Indian rule for years past, which have been condemned by public opinion in India and in England, and to which the Indian Government appear to cling with a tenacity which seems utterly inexplicable. They have dared to propose reforms which, despite the resistance of the Government, have been approved by Parliament, and to endeavour to stay that fearful amount of extravagance, which has been going on in India for years past...."

Space prevents us from recalling more of Sir Richard's, refreshing onslaught on Sir George Chesney's obscurantism. One or two points, however, may be mentioned. Sir George Chesney found fault with the Congress because, in dealing with the poverty of the masses, he imagined that it lost sight of the fact that Government had spent upwards of thirty millions of money during the preceding few years in trying to cope with that difficulty. Sir Richard Garth made the following pertinent observation to show how greatly Sir George was mistaken in this:

"The Congress are only too mindful of these facts and well they may be, because *it is their money and the money of their fellow-countrymen* which has been spent in this way; and they think, and so, I believe, do the great mass of intelligent people in India, that a large proportion of it has been utterly wasted, and that it might have been far more profitably applied in other ways if the people (through the Provincial Councils or otherwise) could have had some voice in its application."

It is not without interest to add that Sir Richard Garth was not a Liberal, much less a Radical, in politics. As he himself said: "I am at least as strong a Tory as Sir George Chesney himself....I am not at all likely to take too radical a view of the Indian situation, or to espouse the cause of the people against the Government, except for some very good reason. I went out to India in 1875, believing, as most Englishmen do, that our Government there was a model of paternal rule, and I was most unwilling to come to any other conclusion, until the truth forced itself upon me with a weight which it was impossible to resist." Sir Richard in fact was a man both of keen intellectual perceptions and a robust intellectual honesty—a rare enough combination. In the majority of cases, such as that of Sir Richard, what happens is that the Englishman coming out to India succumbs, at varying pace, to his environment. Either his capacity to face the hard, bitter facts of the Indian situation proves to be inadequate, or his moral resources and reserves do not suffice to enable him to resist the insidious and insistent pressure of the monopolists in power, with the result that his orientation is deflected, and he remains but to swell the chorus of Vested Interest.

OUR PORTUGUESE ALLIES.

It is refreshing to turn from the utter collapse of Russia, with its only too clear evidence of treachery to the nation and to the Alliance, to another Republic, which is proving that a nation inspired by democratic principles is no less alive to the obligations of loyalty, and prepared at all costs to abide by treaties entered into with other nations. The cause of the Allies has appealed to the greatest of republics, the United States, and after that great example the adhesion of other republics would seem to follow as a matter of course. Soon there should not be a single republic not only out of sympathy with the Central Powers, but which would also not be in active opposition to them. But for nearly three years these republics, though not unsympathetic, stood aloof. The difficulties with which they were faced were enormous and bold indeed would have been the man who had plunged any of them into direct participation without being backed by powerful popular support. Their hesitancy was understood by the statesmen of the Allies, and their assistance, though given late, was none the less intensely appreciated. Portugal has earned our gratitude by the way in which she definitely, from the very outbreak of the war, declared herself loyal to the long-standing treaties which held her to England, and showed herself prepared to take an active participation, as soon as the resources of her country permitted her to do so. Though her entry into the European battlefield dates only from the early part of this year, from the beginning she has served the Allies in other fields with a loyalty which is all the more to be honoured because of the opposition the leaders met in certain quarters. Her contribution will not compare with the immeasurable aid the Allies will get from the United States, but no contribution could be more deserving of the gratitude of the Allies. Hardly had the country recovered from the throes of a revolution which completely changed the form of government when the war broke out. Had the Portuguese leaders deemed it not only the best policy but the only safe one, to consolidate those changes rather than plunge into a campaign which would not only make severe demands on the financial resources of the country, but open a way for those intrigues which always spring up in times of dislocation, few would have been found to blame them. But they chose the path which made the greatest demands, and by their action they have given the world to see that a nation governed by democracy is better able to see clearly the vital principles that must control not only the internal life of the nation, but its external relations and responsibilities as well.

On August 7th, 1914, the Portuguese Government gave voluntarily pledges to the Allies, and stated their readiness to join forces. Though it was deemed advisable that Portuguese troops should not at that early date come to France, it was stated at the time that they had rendered considerable assistance by placing large quantities of guns, ammunition, etc., at the disposal of the British and French commanders. Active plans for mobilisation were devised and partially carried out; the fleet was got in readiness for emergency; expeditions were convoyed by Portuguese warships; as early as September 11th, 1914, military expeditions sailed for Angola and Mozambique. As a result of these expeditions Portugal was able to reoccupy some parts wrongfully taken from her by the Germans and to do much towards clearing them from the coast. It was next necessary that Portugal should requisition the German ships anchored in her ports, as was lawful for her to do in conformity with her internal legislation, and this led to a declaration of war by Germany on March 9th, 1916. Since then the Portuguese troops have played an important part in the East African campaign, and the help they were able to render on the flanks enabled the British generals to bring this expedition to a successful close. The reports pay a tribute to the valuable aid given by the Portuguese troops, European and native. Since the 15th of June of this year the First Division of the Portuguese Army has been in possession of a sector of the Western Front, and it has repeatedly repulsed German attacks. It has won for itself the high commendation of the Commanders of the Allied Armies. It is said that this force constitutes a national army in a real sense, all classes being represented in it. The credit of whatever has been done by the Portuguese army is necessarily shared by the leaders of the Republic.

It must not, however, be thought that the task of the Republican leaders was easy, for in every country not directly concerned in the struggle, there must of necessity be a serious measure of opposition. Though there has never been a suggestion that the will of the nation was not in favour of the old alliance with England, it was necessary to fight against scepticism, timidity, and irresolution, as well as a bewildering maze of political and party cross-currents, of which we can have but a slight conception. But the late President Arriaga was determined on his line of action and this was made possible by the support given to him by the two party leaders, Dr. Jose Almeida and Dr. Affonso Costa. Though the Government and country are united in their foreign policy the same unity is not to be found in their internal policy, and there has been some diminution of the ability of the country to put its whole strength into the war. But all parties are pledged to continue active participation to the end. A German victory would mean ruin for Portugal.

In common with the other belligerents Portugal has had to suffer from economic difficulties. They were faced with a simultaneous shortage of food, coal, and raw materials, but the Allies came to her assistance. The financial difficulties had to be met but these appear to have been dealt with in a very statesman-like way, so that there is little fear of further trouble. England has helped her to tide over the temporary difficulties. On the other hand Portugal is bearing all her war expenses in all the theatres of war where her soldiers are fighting. Owing to the restricted imports into Great Britain her trade in cocoa, cork, and other goods has been affected, but the Allies are trying to afford all possible facilities for disposing of her surplus and receiving the raw materials she requires. The evidence of an eye-witness in Portugal will serve to show the spirit of the people and of the army: "Only those who know how hardly the call has pressed in many cases can fully appreciate the real spirit of the response. Despite endless intrigue on the part of German sympathisers and those ill-affected to the regime, the rank and file of the army have remained loyal alike to the British Alliance and to the flag. There has been no vestige of war-fever or simulated enthusiasm. The honour of Portugal may safely be left in the hands of her Army to-day. It will not be betrayed."

Notes of the Day.

Mr. Montagu in Bombay.

The following Press Note has been issued by the Bombay Government:—

In response to the invitation contained in the Press Note No. 7409, dated the 2nd October, 1917, a large number of associations and political bodies and of gentlemen have expressed their wish to present addresses to, and have interviews with, his Excellency the Viceroy and the Right Hon. the Secretary of State at Bombay. It is regretted that owing to the shortness of the stay at Bombay of his Excellency the Viceroy and the Right Hon. the Secretary of State, it has not been found possible to arrange for the presentation of all the addresses that have reached Government or for the reception at private interviews of all those who have asked for them.

Tender Solicitude.

This is very courteously and considerately worded and, of course, it is impossible to withhold a measure of sympathy for the plea put forward on the score of the shortness of time at the disposal of the Viceroy and the Secretary of State. One conjures up a picture of his Excellency and Mr. Montagu buried under an avalanche of addresses presented on behalf of the multitudinous races inhabiting the "continent" of India—to borrow the familiar imagery of Anglo-Indian scribes of the Sydenham—cum—"Madras Mail" school. It might be conceded at once that the element of selection could not altogether be eliminated from the arrangements made for the reception of addresses by Mr. Montagu during his stay in India. But everything depends upon how the function is exercised. It is the Government of India, we gather, who have primarily shouldered the responsibility of the Secretary of State's chaperonage, displaying so tender a solicitude for the comfort of their charge as even to have omitted to consult him as to their intentions respecting him! It is incredible, for instance, that Mr. Montagu could have been a party to the egregious arrangement by which the Secretary of State is made to be in Bombay during the week that the Indian National Congress assembles in Calcutta. If Mr. Montagu has come to this country for anything it is to ascertain Indian national feeling. And yet he may not attend what promises to be the most historic national demonstration in the history of India under British Rule!

Hastening Slowly.

Mr. Fisher's statement in the Commons regarding a High Court for the Punjab and a University for Burma does not carry us further than the already known attitude of Government towards these two questions. As to the High Court for the Punjab he said it would be established after the war as soon as financial considerations permitted. Financial considerations are entirely important, but they need not be all-important. The urgency of raising the Punjab Supreme Court to the status of a High Court has been recognised on all hands—in the interest of adequate judicial administration in the province. And that consideration should rank as fully as important as any other. Moreover, the financial difficulty has not been shown to be insoluble. As regards the University for Burma, it is stated that the local Government and the Indian Government are still discussing the matter and that it is hoped that it may be possible to utilise the experience of the Calcutta University Commission. This is hastening slowly with a vengeance.

"The Upward Curve."

Sir Eric Geddes' speech in the Commons on Thursday regarding British ship-building and the effect of submarinism was marked by reasonable optimism. He did not mince matters. While referring to the enormous progress made in British ship-building, he emphasised the necessity for developing the anti-submarine warship construction, otherwise, as he added, we would simply be sending out vessels to be torpedoed. The submarine menace, again, he said, was held but not yet mastered. But though our ship-building was not yet replacing the losses, "both the downard trend of sinking and the upward curve of ship-building continued to be satisfactory." Not only would this be maintained but "the upward curve of destruction of submarines also continued equally satisfactory." For the rest, while the need for the exercise of rigorous economy in food to reduce the demand for shipping and of the supply of men and women was more urgent than ever, "the response of the country," Sir Eric Geddes concluded, "would demonstrate to the world that our grip tightened as the struggle continued." That is a very accurate appraisement of the spirit of the country.

An Amazing Decree.

The "Daily Telegraph" Petrograd correspondent stated last week that a decree was published on the 6th instant, announcing the annulment of foreign loans and cessation of payment of interest. It appears from Reuter's telegram published yesterday that no official confirmation or denial of this announcement, which was first made by the newspaper "Pravda," has yet been forthcoming. It is reasonable to presume that the rumours in Petrograd that the Lenin Government intend to repudiate State debts are baseless, for no Government in its senses would think of taking so amazing and unprecedented a step. As Mr. Bonar Law stated in the Commons if there were a responsible Government in that unfortunate country, it would at once realise that the development of the resources and prosperity of the country would be impossible without financial assistance from outside, and such aid would be unthinkable unless previous debts and liabilities were fully acknowledged.

ABSOLUTE PRIVILEGE IN CIVIL CASES.

RIGHTS OF DEFENDANT.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 16.

A full bench of Allahabad High Court consisting of five judges, has decided an important point of law as to whether a defendant in a civil case had absolute privilege. It appears that defendant had filed a complaint in the court of the magistrate charging the plaintiff with cheating and criminal breach of trust in respect of Rs. 100. The Magistrate without issuing process, but after preliminary enquiry dismissed the complaint. Plaintiff thereupon prosecuted the defendant in a criminal court. Defendant was acquitted. Plaintiff then filed civil suit for damages and the court below decreed Rs. 200. Defendant appealed. Their Lordships said that the plea raised on behalf of the defendant is in civil action, arising out of facts such as have been found in the present case. Defendant has absolute privilege and is absolutely protected by law law from civil action for damages for defamation. For the plaintiff, it is urged in a such case there is no absolute privilege and as the defendant did not act in good faith he is not protected. There being a conflict of rulings on the point the case has been referred to this full bench. The plea that criminal enactment can be interpreted as amending civil law by implication stands unsupported. It may be anomalous that a party should be criminally punishable and yet be not civilly liable in a case like the present, but it is not the only anomaly in this branch of law. We therefore hold that defamatory words used on such an occasion as is alleged by the plaintiff in this suit, are not actionable, on the ground of absolute privilege, and the present suit fails. The appeal was allowed and decrees of the courts below were set aside.

RANGOON JOURNALIST'S DEATH AT THE FRONT.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

RANGOON, Dec. 14.

News has reached Rangoon of the death, while on active service, Lt. J. Davidson, Border Regiment, late Assistant Editor, "Rangoon Gazette." He enlisted as private in the Argyll and Southern Highlanders. While on leave at Home in 1915 he went with his battalion to France as a non-commissioned officer. Then after further training he obtained his commission in the Border Regiment and died in October. He gained his journalistic experience on "The Weekly Scotsman," where he was sub-editor.

FIRST SEVEN DIVISIONS.

CELEBRATION OF HISTORIC EVENT.

THEIR MAJESTIES PRESENT AT COMMEMORATION.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Dec. 15.
Recd. 12 noon, Dec. 16.

The historic event was celebrated in London this afternoon when a choral commemoration of "The First Seven Divisions," the men of the old British Army who at great sacrifice and against tremendous odds stemmed the German tide in 1914 was held at Albert Hall. The King and Queen were present, also seven hundred survivors of the Old Army, many of whom had been wounded. These men went in procession to Albert Hall from the Embankment after being entertained to lunch by the Lord Mayor.

The whole of the music at the commemoration was by British composers, and the centre piece was an ode dedicated to the First Seven Divisions, the fallen, the prisoners, the disabled and those still fighting.

After the music Mr. Balfour read a passage from Ecclesiasticus beginning "Let us now praise famous men," and Lord Derby read the order of the battle of the First Seven Divisions. The commemoration closed by the singing of the hymn "For All Saints" and sounding of reveille.

Heroes were conveyed to Albert Hall in motor transports amid cheering crowds. The hall was filled to the utmost. Besides the King and Queen, there were also present Princesses Mary, Alice, Victoria, Prince Arthur of Connaught, Princesses Patricia and Beatrice, Queen Alexandra and many members of the Government and Parliament.

GALLANTRY OF TWO SEAMEN.

REWARDED WITH ALBERT MEDAL.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)
LONDON, Dec. 15.
Recd. 1-25 a.m., Dec. 16.

A gold Albert Medal has been awarded to Seaman Rath and Ordinary Seaman Albert Medal to Seaman Knoulton Abbott. A seaplane carrying out exercises emerged from the clouds at high speed and struck the mast of a wireless station. The seaplane's engine became wedged in latticed steel girder body of an aeroplane sticking out at right angles. The pilot was flung upon the plane and was rendered unconscious. This was 300 feet above ground

Three sailors climbed up inside the latticed girders in eight minutes and Rath crawled out on the plane and held the pilot who was groaning and semi-delirous until Knoulton Abbott had passed out a rope by which the pilot was lowered to the ground.

The gallantry of the seamen was accentuated by the fact that the mast was badly damaged and the wind caused the mast and aeroplane to sway threatening to crash to the earth every moment.

BRITISH AIRSHIP LOST.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Dec. 15.
Recd. 7-30 p.m. Dec. 16.

The Admiralty announces that a British airship of the non-rigid type with a crew of five proceeded to patrol on 11th inst. from the East coast base and did not return. It is believed to have been destroyed by a hostile seaplane in the Southern part of the North Sea. A second airship of a similar type was forced to descend owing to the failure of the engine in Holland on 12th. A telegram from Amsterdam says that a British airship descended near Utrecht. The crew of five who landed will be interned.

BRITISH DESTROYER SUNK.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Dec. 15.
Recd. 7-30 p.m. Dec. 16.

The Admiralty states that a British destroyer was sunk on the night of 12th-13th after collision. Two men are missing.

ATTACK EAST OF BULLECOURT.

SUCCESSFUL RAID BY BRITISH.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Dec. 15.
Recd. 7-30 p.m. Dec. 16.

A British communiqué says we completely repulsed a local attack last night eastward of Bullecourt. We made a successful raid northward of Bullecourt this afternoon destroying dugouts and capturing prisoners. The Portuguese elsewhere took a few prisoners in a patrol encounter. Local fighting in the neighbourhood of Polderhoek Chateau brought about no change in situation. There was considerable hostile cannonading in the neighbourhood of Hargicourt and Flesquieres, between Gavrelle and Lens, also at Passchendaele.

TEA SALES.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Dec. 15.
Recd. 7-30 p.m. Dec. 16.

Over six million pounds will be offered at the tea sales next week of which six hundred thousand are from Ceylon.

ENEMY TROOPS FROM EASTERN FRONT.

WEAKENED MORALE.

EFFECT OF RUSSIAN PEACE.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)
LONDON, Dec. 15.
Recd. 12 noon, Dec. 16.

Reuter's correspondent at British Headquarters, wiring to-day, says quiet continues on the Cambrai front although dry, clear, cold weather favours active operations.

Referring to the transfers of the German troops from the Eastern front the correspondent points out firstly, that the Germans have not been sending their best troops to the Eastern front for a long time, secondly, they have been freely milking the Eastern front for the Western front, and thirdly, that the morale of men from the Eastern front is probably not unaffected by fraternisation and the absence of fighting, hence it is questionable if the fighting value of men from the Eastern front is really so very high.

The correspondent says, "I do not wish to minimise the situation which may arise from Russian peace, but my confidence in our army to deal successfully with the worst that the Germans can do remains absolutely unimpaired."

The enemy's small success at Polderhoek Chateau was due to the great concentration of artillery against the shallow water-lodged trenches.

AMERICA'S WONDERFUL PROGRESS.

GERMANY WEAKENING.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
LAHORE, Dec. 15.

A "Civil and Military Gazette" special cable says:—

America's progress in mobilisation for the war is wonderful. The training of the army and the preparation of equipment are making rapid strides. German effort to anticipate the new strength will not avail them. Submarines are well in hand. The general opinion is that the Germans are making a last effort to secure a good standing for peace negotiations as the control of civil authorities over the people is weakening owing to the lack of wages and food and to the disappointment of the people of hopes of military victory.

LIGHTLESS NIGHTS IN U. S.

FUEL ADMINISTRATION'S DECREE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.
Recd. 12 noon, Dec. 16.

The Fuel Administration has decreed several lightless nights weekly for the purpose not only of saving coal, but "to provide startling visual evidence that the United States is engaged in the greatest world war." The decree bars everywhere illuminated signs, advertisements, search lights and external ornamental illuminations and prohibits lights in the interior of stores, offices and other business places when not open.

AGRICULTURE IN U. P.

SIR JAMES MESTON'S VIEWS.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
ALLAHABAD, Dec. 15.

Sir James Meston in reviewing the work of the Agricultural Department of the U. P. during the past year, says:—"The functions and activities of the department have expanded and developed very rapidly and the beneficent part it is playing in the growing life of the province, is now recognised by all. In spite of serious obstacles caused by the war, the department has made notable advances wherever possible and has prepared the ground for accelerated progress as soon as happier conditions are restored. Sir James cannot conceal his conviction in its days of prosperity, that the Government devoted far too small a share of its surplus revenues to the development of India's first and greatest industry and he trusted that the error will not be repeated when happier times return. There was enormous scope for good and useful work in the improvement of agricultural facilities, methods and markets. It was the work which must in future be done for the people, but which they quickly appreciate and in which their collaboration could be counted upon with growing certainly, as a general work and a gigantic field lies yet untouched.

INDIGENOUS DRUGS EXHIBITION AT AGRA.

(From a Correspondent.)
MEERUT CITY, Dec. 13.

Medical men and others attending the 12th annual conference at Agra on 21st, 22nd and 23rd December, 1917, are requested to bring samples of Indian Drugs they know well or they might have tried. The latest date of receiving exhibits at Agra has been changed to the 20th December. 1917, and exhibitors should send their specimen there to the address of Dr. Shyama Shanker Shukla, Hony. Secretary, Bailanganj, Agra.

ENEMY'S ALARMING ARTILLERY LOSSES.

EFFICACY OF ALLIED BATTERY WORK.

LUDENDORFF'S ADMISSION.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)
LONDON, Dec. 15.
Recd. 8 a.m., Dec. 16.

The "Daily Chronicle" correspondent with the French armies says, a secret report was issued on October 4th by the chief of the German general staff, signed by Ludendorff himself, showing the alarming losses of the German artillery. The report states that during the grand operations the average numbers of guns lost by a single Germany army in a single month either by wear and tear or by enemy fire are 870 field guns and 585 heavy pieces. In other words, arsenals and workshops are obliged to make or repair pieces to the extent of three-quarters of the whole artillery establishment merely in order to maintain the existing strength. The report further testifies to the efficacy of allied counter-battery work and says, that of an average of 1,455 guns put out of action, 655 are lost by wear and tear and 800 by allied bombardments.

Ludendorff says, "Figures show that the enemy counter-fires upon our artillery with very good results. It should be added that the loss of material is only one side of the artillery struggle; the destruction of munitions, losses in killed and diminution in morale are elements at least as important."

PREMIER'S SPEECH.

BRITISH PRESS COMMENTS.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)
LONDON, Dec. 15.
Recd. 1-25 a.m., Dec. 16.

With the exception of the "Daily News" which regrets that the Premier failed to state the policy of the Allies with the gravity and definiteness demanded by the occasion, newspapers acclaim Mr. Lloyd George's speech at Grays Inn.

The "Daily Telegraph" considers it is an utterance for which all must be grateful who appreciate the meaning of just war. What he asks is well within the country's power. He can reckon on the country's reply.

The "Daily Graphic" says that Mr. Lloyd George has never spoken to better purpose and the nation will ungrudgingly support him.

The "Morning Post" writes:—Mr. Lloyd George reached the true authentic note of British statesmanship in appealing to the spirit of old England.

The "Daily Chronicle" says:—The speech had an unusual quality of restrained dispassionate firmness, decidedly appropriate in the present crisis. His emphasis on tonnage and food suggests that he does not intend putting everybody indiscriminately into khaki.

"The Times" says:—The chief merit of the speech is the clearness and directness with which he keeps things that really matter before the people. Cunning and insidious efforts have been made to confuse their judgment and shake their faith. The Premier wafts the poison gas aside and bids them fix their eyes on the stars which have guided them and their fathers through history.

The "Daily Mail" says:—The speech was such as the British people in times like these desire and expect from leaders. It had courage and faith in slinging a challenge full in the face of all doubters and waverers. Either we must close our ranks now and fix our eyes on the central purposes for which we are fighting, or history will say that at the supreme moment we faltered and broke down. That is unthinkable.

CONGRESS RECEPTION COMMITTEE.

THREE SECRETARIES RESIGN.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
CALCUTTA, Dec. 16.

The "Bengalee" announces that Dr. Nilratan Sircar, Mr. Provas Chunder Mitter, and Mr. Prithwis Chandra Ray have resigned their offices as secretaries of the Reception Committee of the next Indian National Congress. It is also understood that more resignations are likely to follow in the course of this week.

ALLEGED MURDER.

SEVERAL BENGALEES ARRESTED.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
CALCUTTA, Dec. 15.

To-day before Mr. A. G. R. Henderson, Additional District Magistrate of Alipore, several Bengalees, including a medical practitioner were charged with murder. It will be remembered that a person, whose name has not yet transpired, and who was said to be a police spy, was said to have been murdered at Barnagore and his dead body was found inside a trunk in a second class compartment at Bandeb. The accused were arrested on suspicion. One of them belonged to the Bengali Regiment and he was brought from Mesopot under arrest. Before the proceedings commenced, the Public Prosecutor announced that a Special Tribunal had been formed to try this case. The Magistrate accordingly transferred it to that tribunal.

ALLIED NAVAL COUNCIL.

TO ENSURE CO-OPERATION BETWEEN FLEETS.

ITS FUNCTIONS AND COMPOSITION.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Dec. 15.
Recd. 8 a.m., Dec. 16.

It is officially announced that it has been decided to create an Allied naval council to ensure the closest touch and complete co-operation between the Allied fleets and development of all scientific operation connected with the conduct of the war. The council will watch the general conduct of naval war and make the necessary recommendations enabling Government to make decisions.

The individual responsibility of the Chiefs of the Staff and the Commander-in-Chief at sea towards their Governments as regards the operations in hand, also as regards the tactical and strategical disposition of their forces remains unchanged.

The Council will consist of ministers of marine and chiefs of naval staffs of nations represented, namely France, Italy, the United States and Britain. As the council will necessarily meet in Europe the chiefs of naval staffs of the United States and Japan will be represented by flag officers.

The council will have a permanent secretariat which will collate the necessary information.

GERMAN TEMERITY CHASTISED.

INFERIOR ENEMY FLEET.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
PARIS, Dec. 16.
Recd. 12 noon, Dec. 16.

M. Leygues, Minister of Marine, in published statement, says, Germany does not dare to challenge the Allied fleet. Each time her fleet has come out the British has severely chastised its temerity.

M. Leygues is of opinion that the German crews are not so good nor so enterprising as at the beginning of the war and their munitions seem inferior. However, he would not draw too optimistic conclusions from that.

WAR PURCHASES FROM U. S.

INTERALLY COUNCIL.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Dec. 15.
Recd. 7-30 p.m. Dec. 16.

It is officially announced that an Inter-Ally Council on war purchases is finally established and will sit alternately in London and Paris. The primary object is the consideration of the needs of the Allies for purchases in the United States. The Council will indicate priorities, but the final decision in the matter will be made in Washington.

ADVANCE NEAR CAMBRAI.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
ALLAHABAD, Dec. 15.

A "Pioneer" special cable says:—

Although an enquiry has been ordered into the set-back resulting from the German attack at Cambrai, it is recognised here that the demand shows a lack of perspective of the war where gains must be set against losses. The advance near Cambrai resulted in a very considerable gain, the British having taken a fortress line and losing only a trifle by the counter-attack. Eight miles of the Hindenburg line are at present in our possession menacing Cambrai, a communication centre. The British success has been so continuous since the battle of the Somme that any enemy success is apt to be disproportionately viewed. The fall of Jerusalem is a great military and political success, which should have far-reaching effects. It should tend to increase Turkey's discontent under the German rule and also hearten the southern Russian armies and Italy in her present successful defence.

INJUSTICE TO ENTIRE MUSLIM COMMUNITY.

RESOLUTION OF MADRAS MUSLIM LEAGUE.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
MADRAS, Dec. 14.

The Council of the Madras Presidency Muslim League has passed a resolution expressing their opinion that in denying Mr. Mahomedali an interview with Mr. Montagu about the reforms, the Government of India have done an injustice to the entire Muslim community.

LONDON ARISTOTELIAN SOCIETY.

A NEW INDIAN MEMBER.

(From a Correspondent.)
HYDERABAD, Dec. 15.

Mr. Abdul Majid, who arrived here recently from Lucknow in connection with the working of the Usmania University, has been elected a member of the Aristotelian Society of London, the leading philosophical association in Britain. He is perhaps the third Indian to win the recognition of this Society since its inception in 1880.

ATTACK BETWEEN BRENTA AND PIAVE.

FIERCE STRUGGLE.

VIOLENT ENEMY THRUST.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Dec. 15.
Recd. 0-35 a.m. Dec. 17.

An Italian communiqué says the battle between the Brenta and the Piave continued fiercely. The enemy launched a mass attack yesterday afternoon, but our counter-offensive aiming at lightening pressure twice reached the summit of Monte Pertica. The enemy made a violent thrust against Colcaprile and Southward of Col'dellaberetta, but our counter-attack completely repulsed the assault with heavy losses. The enemy again attacked and reached Colcaprile. We firmly hold positions a little to the rear. We twice repulsed strong attacks on the head of Monteso'arolo salient.

MUKHTAR BEY AT BERNE.

NEGOTIATION FOR PEACE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Dec. 15.
Recd. 7-30 p.m. Dec. 16.

A telegram to the "Daily Mail" from Washington says it is reported that Mukhtar Bey, one of the Turkish delegates conferring at Berne regarding an exchange of prisoners has asked Constantinople for power to negotiate a separate peace.

CONTINUATION OF ARMISTICE.

DELEGATES MET ON 13TH.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Dec. 15.
Recd. 7-30 p.m. Dec. 16.

A German communiqué says the Russian delegation arrived back at Brest Litovsk on 12th for the continuation of the armistice negotiations. The next plenary sitting was on 13th.

REPORTED ARREST OF KALEDIN.

MAXIMALIST MAJORITY GROWING

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Dec. 15.
Recd. 7-30 p.m. Dec. 16.

The Bolshevik Petrograd Telegraph Agency reports overwhelming pro-Maximalist majorities in the Constituent Assembly elections from the Twelfth and Fifth Armies and from the army in Finland.

The Agency says that Rostoff, Nakhitchevan and Taganrog are in the hands of revolutionary troops. Generals Kaledin and Pototsky and staff have been arrested. Kaledin has asked the Mayor of Rostoff to come to Novotcherkask and discuss the suspension of military operations.

BRITISH SUBJECTS IN RUSSIA.

OBTAINING PASSPORTS

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Dec. 15.
Recd. 7-30 p.m. Dec. 16.

A telegram to the "Times" from Petrograd says over 150 British subjects including women and children who were detained owing to the detention of certain Russians in Great Britain have now been permitted to obtain passports.

INDIAN AFFARS.

MISREPRESENTATION IN ENGLAND.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
MADRAS, Dec. 15.

The following are the "Madras Mail's" special cables:—

The "Glasgow Herald," a leading Scotch paper, in a long article, says:—"Mrs. Besant's release had not had the desired effect of smoothing Mr. Montagu's way while the action of the Indian Government caused profound discontent among unofficial Europeans. The paper regrets the aloofness of the British commercial community from the life of the country as a whole, also the confusion resulting from the Indian Councils Act of 1892 and the Morley-Minto reforms, but holds that they constitute no pretext, whatever for giving way at present to the agitations for reforms; they not only imperil the stability of the Empire, but place the unfortunate ryot at the mercy of the Zemindars, moneylenders, usurers and irresponsible lawyers.

The "Evening Standard" says it is now perfectly clear that both the Central Government and the Government of Madras were, to use the vulgar term, "Badly had." They indeed, as would most people, took Mr. Montagu's suggestion as a direct order, which they were in duty bound to obey. Having obeyed against their better judgment they now find themselves branded with a grave political mistake as events now show.

The "Daily Graphic" hopes Mr. Montagu is beginning to revise ideas which he somewhat ostentatiously paraded before starting on his Indian mission. Possibly now he has learned that there are other people in India, besides a handful of English educated Indians, who want to get all the Government of the Indian Empire in their hands.

The "New Statesman" putting its trust in the proposals agreed on by the joint conference of influential Europeans and conservative Indians still appeals for calm for Mr. Montagu.

GERMAN WAR AIMS.

STILL UNDECLARED.

LORD R. CECIL'S STATEMENT.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Dec. 16.
Recd. 0-35 a.m. Dec. 17.

Lord Robert Cecil informed Reuter that what purports to be the German reply to Mr. Balfour's statement in Parliament regarding the German peace overture in September is quite untrue. Following the lead of President Wilson Great Britain has continually been endeavouring to discover what are Germany's war aims and has repeatedly endeavoured to get this information by means of ministerial speeches, but hitherto without success. It is however, utterly untrue to suggest that any private enquiries have been addressed to the enemy with the knowledge of British Government.

REVOLUTION IN PORTUGAL.

MACHADO EXILED INDEFINITELY.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LISBON, Dec. 15.
Recd. 0-35 a.m. Dec. 17.

A decree exiles ex-president Machado indefinitely.

SERIOUS FIGHTING REPORTED.

AMONG RUSSIAN MILITARY FRACTIONS

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Dec. 15.
Recd. 7-30 p.m. Dec. 16.

A telegram to the "Times" from Washington says Mr. Lansing has received a telegram from the Consul at Vladivostok that serious fighting has broken out among Russian military fractions and urging a despatch of American troops.

GROSS CONTEMPT OF COURT.

JUDGE'S STRICTURES ON EX-COUNCIL MEMBER.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
MADRAS, Dec. 14.

Before Mr. Justice Bakewell the application in regard to Mr. P. Rama Rayaningar, late member of the Imperial Legislative Council, for alleged contempt of Court by disobeying the order of his Lordship was taken up today. Mr. A. Krishnaswami Iyer, who appeared for Mr. Rama Rayaningar, submitted that his client tendered an unqualified apology to his Lordship. His Lordship held Mr. Rama Rayaningar was guilty of gross contempt of Court, but in view of the unqualified apology tendered on his behalf and also in view of the fact that all accounts and collections had since been handed over to the Subordinate Judge of Chittoor, it would be sufficient punishment to direct Mr. Rama Rayaningar to pay the costs of the present application. His Lordship fixed the costs at Rs. 250 and this was to be paid in a week.

Official and Personal.

Their Excellencies left Poona for Bombay on Saturday evening.

Their Excellencies attended the Service at the All Saints Church, Malabar Hill, yesterday morning.

Their Excellencies had tea at the Willingdon Sports Club yesterday afternoon.

Major-General H. F. E. Freeland dined at Government House, last evening.

Their Excellencies visited Ganeshkhind Camp Saturday morning and were shown over all the Regimental Institutes by Major Johnstone, the Commanding Officer.

At a garden party at Government House yesterday given by the Lieutenant-Governor and Lady Meston for the organizers and helpers of "Our Day" work in the Province, Sir James Meston announced that the total expected from the United Provinces would not be less than thirteen lakhs of rupees.

The Hon. Sir John Wallis, the Hon. Sir Alexander Cardew and Sir Clement Simpson had interviews with the Viceroy and the Secretary of State on Saturday morning.

His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief will visit Allahabad on the 19th instant, and will inspect Allahabad Rifles, I.D.F., together with the rest of the Brigade.

H. E. the Viceroy and Mr. Montagu and party arrived in Madras at 1-30 p.m. on Friday and were received by the Governor of Madras and staff. A large gathering of local officials were present. The party proceeded to Government House, Mount Road where they will stop.

A congratulatary address on behalf of the Mahomedan ladies of Bombay will be presented by her Highness Lady Ali Shah to her Excellency Lady Willingdon at H. H. the Aga Khan's house, Nesbit Road, Mazagon, to-morrow at 4-45 p.m. All Mahomedan ladies are invited to attend the ceremony.

Their Excellencies opened the Fete organised by the Poona Branch of the Women's Branch War and Relief Fund in aid of "Our Day" at the Napier Cinema, Poona Saturday afternoon and afterwards visited the Fancy Fete and Fair in aid of "Our Day" at the Reay Market, Poona City.

HIGH COURT.

APPELLATE SIDE.

RAILWAY ASSAULT CASE.

COMPANY'S LIABILITY FOR TRANSGRESSION.

(Before the Chief Justice and Justice Batchelor.)

Girjashankar D. Vaidya ..... Appellant and Original Plaintiff.

v.

The B. B. and C. I. Railway ...Respondents and Original Defendants.

This was an appeal from the judgment of the Hon. Mr. Justice Kajiji dismissing the plaintiff's suit with costs.

Mr. C. H. Setalvad with Mr. R. D. N. Wadia and Mr. S. S. Rangnekar appeared for the appellant.

Mr. H. Campbell, the Hon. Mr. T. J. Strangman and Mr. W. L. Weldon appeared for the respondents.

THE ALLEGED ASSAULT AND ARREST.

The facts of the case briefly stated were these:—The plaintiff was a managing clerk in a firm of Bombay solicitors. On the night of 18th March, 1916, he was travelling in a third class compartment in one of the defendants' trains. The plaintiff's compartment was greatly overcrowded to the inconvenience and discomfort of the occupants. After ineffectual efforts to obtain assistance from the guard or the station master at a station, the plaintiff stopped the train by pulling the communication chain. The train was restarted but no other incident then occurred, nor was any step taken to relieve the overcrowdedness of the compartment. Consequently when the train had gone some little distance further on its journey, the plaintiff again stopped it by pulling the communication chain. Thereupon the guard and the driver got down from the train, the driver pulled the plaintiff out of the compartment and cuffed and slapped him, the guard assisting in the assault. The plaintiff was then arrested by the driver and guard at Dadar Station where he was handed over to the station master. His statement having been recorded by the police, he was released and allowed to go on to his destination. The guard and driver were prosecuted to conviction before one of the Presidency Magistrates who fined them for assault.

The plaintiff subsequently filed this suit to recover Rs. 3,000 as damages from the Railway Company on account of the wrongful and tortious acts of their servants. The learned judge in the Court below held that the Company was not liable and dismissed the suit with costs.

The plaintiff appealed.

JUDGMENT.

Their Lordships in delivering their judgment stated that the only question in appeal was whether in the above state of facts the Company was liable for the wrongful acts of its servants. The general proposition of law applicable to the question of the master's liability for the wrongful acts of his servants might be stated thus. The master was liable where the servant, acting in a matter which is within the scope of his authority, that is within the course of his employment, committed a wrong by exceeding the authority vested in him. The act itself, which constituted the wrong might be—and usually was—in excess of the servant's authority, but if in thus trangressing his authority the servant was doing in the master's interests one of the class of acts which the master had employed him to do, then the master was liable. It was unnecessary to refer to decided cases in support of that general proposition, which, as a broad statement of the law was well established. It remained to see how that principle was to be applied in such a case as the present where a person was arrested and wrongfully assaulted by the servant. Here, in conformity with the general principle the law, as their Lordships understood it was this. The assault being an incident of the arrest and being in excess of the servant's authority the master was liable, if, and only if, the arrest was within the servant's authority. In other words, if the supposed offence for which the person was arrested was an offence for which the master himself would have had authority to make the arrest, then the master would be liable. He would not be liable where he himself, for the alleged offence, would not have been justified in arresting the offender, for in such a case the arresting would be beyond and outside the course of the servant's employment, and the assault would not be referable to any of the class of acts which the master had impliedly put the servant there to do. Their Lordships then referred to Parlton v. London and S. W. Railway Company, (L. R. & Q. B. 534) and Bayley v. The Manchester Sheffield and Lincolnshire Railway Co., (L. R. 7 C. P. 415), and Ormiston v. Great Western Railway Co. ((1917) 1 K. B. 598).

COMPANY'S RIGHT TO ARREST.

Continuing their Lordships said the application of these principles to the present facts raised the question whether the defendant company would have had authority to arrest the plaintiff for the offence for which the company's servants arrested him. That offence was, clearly on the evidence, the pulling of the communication chain, "without reasonable and sufficient cause," an offence made punishable under Section 108 of the Indian Railways Act 1890. It was unnecessary to decide whether the plaintiff had or had not reasonable and sufficient cause. Their Lordships would assume in favour of his present suit, that he had not, and that, in consequence, he laid himself open to punishment under Section 108. But for this offence it was admitted that under the Act, the defendant company had no authority to arrest him. It followed therefore that the company could not be held liable for the assaults committed by their servants in the course of the arrest. To escape from that difficulty Mr. Setalvad ingeniously contended that the offence for which the arrest must be taken to have been made was an offence falling, not only under Section 108, but also under Section 121 and 128. If that contention were sound the plaintiff would, no doubt, be entitled to succeed, for, persons offending under Section 121 or Section 128, might, as provided by Section 131, be arrested without warrant by any railway servant. In their Lordships' opinion, however, the contention was not sound. Section 121 dealt with the obstruction of any railway servant in the discharge of his duty, and Section 128 so far as their Lordships were at present concerned with it) provided punishment for any person who obstructed any rolling-stock upon any railway. It was admitted that owing to the working of the mechanical convenience, the pulling of the communication chain automatically stopped the train, which could not be restarted till the vacuum had been restored. Mr. Setalvad consequently contended that the plaintiff's action here prevented the driver in the discharge of his duty to keep the train running, and obstructed the rolling-stock of the train by bringing it to a stop. It might be admitted that as a matter of words, some colour might be lent to that argument from the similarity of the phraseology in sections 121 and Section 128, and if Section 108 did not exist, the plaintiff's offence might perhaps be brought within the scope of other of the later sections. But, interpreting the act, as their Lordships had it, their Lordships were of opinion that Mr. Setalvad's construction was forced and unnatural. Reading the sections together the fair conclusion seemed to be that the stopping of the train by the wrongful pulling of the communication chain was one special kind of obstruction for which the legislature had made special provision. It had ordained a particular punishment which was lighter than that allowed for other obstructions presumably because the stopping of the train by that mechanical means as not likely to be attended with any danger to the travelling public. That differentiation of the consequences or results seemed strongly in favour of the view that the special provisions of Section 108 were not to be controlled by the more general language of the wider sections. If Mr. Setalvad's contention were right the special kind of obstruction for which the legislature had made special provision. It had ordained a particular punishment which was lighter than that allowed for other obstructions presumably because the stopping of the train by that mechanical means as not likely to be attended with any danger to the travelling public. That differentiation of the consequences or results seemed strongly in favour of the view that the special provisions of Section 108 were not to be controlled by the more general language of the wider sections. If Mr. Setalvad's contention were right the special kind of obstruction for which the legislature had made special provision would be a result wholly outside the contemplation of the legislature, in other words the plaintiff's offence was, under the act punishable under Section 108 and not under section 121 or Section 128. The rule of construction applied was but a particular case of the general principle embodied in the maxim "generalia specialibus non derogant" which was invoked in the interpretation of a later general act bearing upon an earlier special act. In explaining that maxim in Barker v. Edgar [(1898) A. C. 748] Lord Hobhouse used the following language which, "mutatis mutandi," appeared to their Lordships to guide the Court to the true meaning of the earlier and the later sections in the act under consideration. "When the legislature has given its attention to a separate subject and made provision for it, the presumption is that a subsequent general enactment, is not intended to interfere with the special provision." So in the present case the earlier special provision must be held to control the general provision "quo ad" the particular case specially provided for.

COMPANY NOT LIABLE.

On those grounds their Lordships came to the conclusion that for the offence for which the defendant's servants arrested the plaintiff, the defendants themselves would have had no authority to arrest him, and consequently the defendants were not liable for the assaults committed by their servants.

The appeal, therefore, failed and must be dismissed with costs.

Solicitors for appellant: Bhimjee & Co.

Solicitors for respondents: Crawford Bayly & Co.

KAIRA MURDER CASE.

WOMAN KILLED WITH BRICK-BAT AND PESTLE.

(Before Justices Heaton and Shah.)

Bechar Kaliak v. The King-Emperor.

This was an appeal against the decision of Mr. R. C. Kennedy Sessions Judge of Ahmedabad. Disagreeing with the assessors he found the appellant guilty under Section 302 I. P. C. of murdering one Kanku and sentenced him to transportation for life, as his action was not premeditated but was to a certain extent provoked.

The facts of the case are briefly these:—

This murder took place at Borsad on the 12th May, in the course of a brawl. Between the complainant Rama and the appellants' father Kaliau there was some dispute about certain property and that on the evening of the 12th of May, the complainant had returned to Borsad and was dressing for the return of his property. Some people were called to intercede, and it was at that meeting in the evening that there was a dispute between the parties. Some women on both sides assembled there and there was mutual exchange of abuses and brick-bats. In the course of this quarrel the accused was said to have come out with a heavy rice pestle in his hand and given a blow to the deceased woman Kanku, who was the mother-in-law of the complainant. Kanku died immediately on the spot.

SESSIONS JUDGE ON RELIABILITY OF WITNESSES IN KAIRA.

The Sessions Judge observed: "Before discussing the evidence in this case I desire formally and distinctly to repudiate the doctrine attributed to the Sessions Court of this division in the defence arguments, namely that because this is a Kaira case and because evidence is difficult to obtain in Kaira the Court considers itself at liberty to form its conclusion on evidence not formally and legally before it. Opinions may differ as to whether in one area where fear or indifference or corruption or faction so powerfully operate on the minds of the public that evidence is not obtainable, our system is the best suitable for the discovery and suppression of crime, but as long as I sit here as a judge and not as an inquisitor or president of Court-Martial, I shall continue to decide cases on strictly legal evidence. And in appreciating that evidence surely the condition of Kaira is a thing of which one can take judicial notice. And surely it is necessary in order to appreciate the evidence which is called, to understand why other evidence is not called. Evidence may be very good of its kind as far as it goes but in many cases a Court might reasonably suppose that other and supplementary evidence should be called. In normal cases therefore the failure to call that other evidence would tend to throw doubt on the whole case, and to that extent discredit the evidence which is called and which by itself appears good and true. Knowing what we do of local conditions in Kaira it is clear that no such depreciation of good and apparently true evidence on account of failure to produce further evidence is by itself logical. Again evidence may be produced of witnesses who contradict and give the lie to other witnesses on the same side. Here also the habits of the people must be considered and the absolute shamelessness with which they make contradictory statements at various stages in the same proceedings. In most cases where a Crown witness in open Court gives evidence directly contradictory to the Crown case this tends to throw doubt on the whole Crown case and so on other witnesses who would otherwise be considered good and trustworthy. But this again would be an illegitimate deduction from such an incident in the case of a Kaira case."

JUSTICE SHAH'S JUDGMENT.

Mr. Justice Shah in delivering the judgment observed:—

"The main question in the appeal is whether the evidence which goes to show that it was the accused No. 1 (appellant) who gave this blow to the deceased woman is reliable. That evidence consists of the statements of the complainant and his wife Lakhi. The learned Sessions Judge has believed this evidence, and after having heard fully the criticism, to which it has been subjected by Mr. Thakor on behalf of the appellant, I see no reason to think that the evidence is not reliable. The information was given immediately to the police, and at all stages of the case, they have made consistent statements as regards the present appellant. So far as the evidence relates to him, I see no reason to distrust it. It is urged, however, on behalf of the appellant that their evidence has not been believed by the learned Sessions Judge as regards accused No. 2, the father of the present appellant. I have given due weight to this consideration. The learned Sessions Judge who had the witnesses before him also considered this circumstance; and in spite of the conclusion that he came to on the evidence with reference to accused No. 2, he believed that evidence as regards the appellant. I do not think that the mere fact that he does not consider it safe to accept that evidence as regards accused No. 2 is by any means a sufficient ground for rejecting the testimony as regards accused No. 1.

It is also urged that there is some conflict between this evidence and the medical testimony. I do not think, however, that there is any such conflict. The evidence does not clearly show that the deceased was facing the accused No. 1 at the time the blow was given. But even if it were so, I do not see any difficulty in reconciling the oral evidence with the medical opinion expressed by the doctor that the blow must have been given from behind.

PLEA OF PROVOCATION.

Lastly it was urged that the offence committed was not murder but culpable homicide not amounting to murder. Having regard to the nature of the blow and the medical evidence on this point I am satisfied that the offence amounts to murder. The only ground upon which it is sought to make out that the offence is culpable homicide not amounting to murder is that there was a grave and sudden provocation. I am by no means satisfied that the provocation whatever little provocation there was, was sudden. This quarrel was going on for some time, and the circumstances attending the crime do not make it clear that it was sudden. Assuming in favour of the accused, however, that the provocation was sudden, I am quite satisfied that it was not grave enough to bring the case within the exception. The abuses said to have been given by the deceased woman were ordinary abuses, and I am quite unable to hold that such abuses by an old woman like Kanku could be treated as affording any grave provocation to the accused for the act, which he is proved to have committed.

I am satisfied that the accused has been rightly convicted of murder. I would, therefore, dismiss the appeal.

Mr. Dhirajlal K. Thakore instructed by Mr. Ratanlal Ranchoddas and Mr. H. J. Kania appeared for the accused.

The Government Pleader represented the Crown.

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CAUSE LIST.

BOARD FOR MONDAY, THE 17TH OF DECEMBER, 1917.

BEFORE MR. JUSTICE KAJIJI.

In the Division Court No. 43.

FOR CONSENT DECREE.

1-17—Payne & Co Messrs Valibhai Fattabhai a firm v. Badrudin Adamji and anr. Mulla & Mulla.

708-17—C P D'Cunha Lakhmidas Ratansey v. Thackersey Dayal & anr. Daphtary F & D, Matu J & M.

1110-17—Shroff & D Mahomed Ismail v. Jenumbibi and anr. Vachha & Co Nanu H & Co.

SUITS FOR HEARING AND FINAL DISPOSAL

LONG CAUSES.

637-17—Ardesir H D & Co Narotamdas Bhau a firm v. Bainji Macca a firm, Mehta D & L Part Heard.

357-02—Matubhai J & M Saliey Mahomed Noor Mahomed and anr. v. Cassam Gulam Hoosein, Hiralal and Co. Notice d. 14-9-16. Part Heard. 30-11-17.

1254-17—Matubhai J & M Bezonji Shapurji Madan v. Ruttonshaw Furdunji Motiwalla and ors. Payne & Co.

631-17—Little & Co Messrs J A Begbie & Co a firm v. Hemraj Jairam, Pandea & Co Part Heard.

1211-16—Wadia G & Co Balchand Oogarchand a firm v. Gapikisson Madon Gopal, Khand L & M Issued settled 14-9-17 For Postponement.

Special Case 1213-17—Crawford B & Co Peter William Monie Municipal Commissioner v. The Revd. Robert Scott Mirza M & M.

761-17—Surajmal & Co Narsey Gangji v. Khimji Visram and Co. a firm Bhaishanker K & G.

140-17—Tyabjee D and Co. Bai Mani Widow v. Tribhowandas Mangaldas Natha-bhai and ors. Ardeshir H D & Co Mulla and M.

771-17—Mans. H M & Co Rustomji Jamasji Mistry & ors. v. Dhunjishaw Dadabhoy Chinimini, Purnanand & Co. For Postponement.

1067-11—Vachha & Co Fatmabai Widow and ors. v. Ahmedally Tookhwanji and ors Jehangir & S Little & Co. Edgelow G W & Co, Merwanji & Co For Postponement.

119-17—Merwanji K & Co Byramji Nowroji Gamadiya v. Herbert P Greaves and ors Payne and Co Mulla and M. Crawford B and Co.

659-16—Bhimji and Co (for a Pauper) Manockbai Widow v. Rambai Widow and anr. Tyabjee D & Co.

971-17—Pandia & Co. Gordhandas Vallabhdas a firm v. Dhulamal Beamal.

757-17—Kanga & S. Pohmatbai Widow v. Bhimji Jairaj Makanji, Madhowji K & Co.

1266-16—Rustomji & G Rowabai Widow v. Ghellabhai Dayaram and ors. Tyabji D & Co.

LADY'S SUICIDE BY CUTTING ARTERY.

UNSOUND STATE OF MIND.

Mr. A. R. King, Deputy Coroner, held an inquest at the Coroner's Court, yesterday, touching the death of Mrs. Louisa Mary Gillert King.

Lt. William Gilbert King of the Supply and Transport Corps, living at Delhi, said he was travelling by train to Bombay to take the deceased, his wife home to save her life, she having appeared before a Board of Medical Officers at Delhi on the 14th December, and her case having been diagnosed as neurasthenic. They gave instructions that she should proceed Home by the first mail. They left Delhi on Saturday morning and dined at night in the dining car, after which they went to the carriage and went to bed. She was restless during the night but not nearly so restless as she had been before. Once she awakened him by turning on the lights and he asked her what she had been doing. She said she was washing and changing her things to be in readiness on arrival in Bombay. He asked her to sleep, and she came and lay down by his side, and with her arm round him he went to sleep. What awakened him he did not know, nor did he know what time it was, but from the light shining from the bathroom door he saw she was not lying down. He jumped up and knocked at the bathroom door. Getting no reply he beat at the door with his hands and thus burst open the door, which had been locked inside. He found her hanging from a towel hook. He lifted her off. Her body was quite warm. He then saw blood in the wash-hand basin. She had cut an artery in her wrist. He then rushed into the carriage and pulled the signals to stop the train. When the train stopped he got out and went along the train and called out to a 2nd-Lieutenant of the Surrey Regiment. He told him his wife had committed suicide and asked him to come to the carriage. The 2nd-Lieutenant came with him and was in the carriage for ten minutes, when they arrived at Surat, when he returned to his carriage. Mr. Bomanji, who was on the platform, kindly got in and kept witness' company till they came to Bombay. The Assistant-Surgeon of the Railway at Surat and the Police Inspector came to the carriage. The Assistant-Surgeon after viewing the body, said it was dead. The guard came when the train stopped and the Officer of the Surrey Regiment was then with witness. The guard saw the body. The deceased had been treated for her nerves in March or April, and undergone electrical treatment for the nerves.

VICTIM OF DELUSIONS.

She had suffered from delusions for the last three weeks. She thought Indians were persecuting her. On the 13th December witness took her to Col. James, the Civil-Surgeon of Delhi After speaking to the Colonel for some time she asked him to give a tabloid which would poison her at once should she fall into the hands of Indians. Colonel James took her to his mother, and he told witness the deceased must go at once to the asylum at Lahore or go Home. The Medical Board was the result. She never, in speaking to witness, had threatened to take her life. They were fifteen years married and always lived happily. They had no children.

Mr. B. R. Bomanji, Barrister-at-Law, practising at Saharanpur, who travelled in a compartment close to that occupied by Lieut. and Mrs. King, said that in the dining car as far as he remembered the deceased took all her husband took and seemed composed and conversed with her husband in a natural way. At Lieutenant King's request he went into the compartment, and then into the bathroom, where he saw blood on the washing stand and a small penknife and a pair of scissors, which were stained with blood, and so was a cake of soap. There were one or two small pieces of soap, floating in the water and covered with blood. The lid of the bath was down and the deceased was lying with her head on one side and the feet hanging from the other side. A portion of the head was inclining over a washing basin, which was a private one. A gash had been made on the wrist which was bleeding. Lieut. King was much distressed and piteously bemoaned his loss. Being a barrister, witness looked for signs of blood on Lieut. King's hands and clothes but found none. Lieut. King had on the same clothes that he had at dinner the night previous. The clothes had not even been ruffled.

The jury returned a verdict that the deceased committed suicide while in an unsound state of mind.

NEW YEAR'S DAY DECORATIONS.

TO OFFICERS AND MEN.

At the conclusion of the New Year's Day Parade to be held on the 1st January 1918 at 8-15 a.m. his Excellency the Viceroy will distribute a number of decorations to officers and men of his Majesty's Forces.

The Chief Justice of Bombay the Lord Bishop, the Ordinary Members of the Council of the Government of Bombay, the Judges of the High Court, the Additional Members of the Council of the Governor-General for making Laws and Regulations, who are resident in the Bombay Presidency, the Commissioner in Sind, the Chief Secretary to the Government of Bombay, the Surgeon-General with the Government of Bombay, the Commissioners of Revenue and Customs, the Additional Members of the Council of his Excellency the Governor for making Laws and Regulations, the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Bombay, the Archdeacon of Bombay, the Secretaries to the Government of Bombay, the Director of Public Instruction, the Accountant-General, Bombay, the Heads of Civil Departments, the Collector of Bombay, the President of the Municipal Corporation of the City of Bombay, the Municipal Commissioner of Bombay, the Chairman, City of Bombay Improvement Trust, the Presidency Senior Chaplain, Church of Scotland, the Chairman, Bombay Port Trust, the Commissioner of Police, Bombay, and the Sheriff of Bombay, or such of the above high officials as are then in the Presidency Town have been invited to be present on the occasion.

Foreign Consuls-General, Consuls and Vice-Consuls have been requested to be present and a space will be reserved for

MR. TILAK AND PARTY AT PEN.

ENTHUSIASTIC RECEPTION.

(From a Correspondent.)

PEN, Dec. 15.

Mr. Tilak with Doctors Sathaye and Velkar and Professor Shivram Pant Paranjape, reached Karjat on the morning of the 14th December *en route* Pen District, Kolaba. After *pan-supari* ceremony the Karjat party motored to Pen. On the way, grand receptions were given at Chowk, Khalapur, Vavoshi and Varsai. Chowk and Khalapur offered Rs. 75 each to the Home Rule League. Vavoshi accorded an enthusiastic welcome. Over 500 villagers were present. A Home Rule purse of Rs. 500 was given. Mr. Tilak made a suitable reply. Varsai presented a purse containing Rs. 700 through Rao Bahadur Vaidya, who welcomed Mr. Tilak in touching words. The party reached Pen at eleven o'clock. Great enthusiasm prevailed. In the evening Mr. Tilak was presented with an address beautifully printed on silk with golden borders in a silver casket. A purse containing Rs. 1,300 was given. Then Mr. Tilak addressed the meeting for about two hours. Mr. Yeshwantrao Gurjar of Alibag offered Rs. 500 purse on behalf of the Alibag Taluka. Mr. Tilak and party left for Karjat on the morning of the 15th instant. About Rs. 4,000 were presented to him in this trip altogether.

NEED FOR BANKING LEGISLATION.

ALLEGED ANGLO-INDIAN HOSTILITY TO INDIAN ENTERPRISE.

(From our Correspondent.)

LAHORE, Dec. 14.

The Indian Industrial Commission resumed its sitting to-day at the Town Hall Sir R. N. Mukerjee presiding.

Mr. P. C. Spers, Professor of Chemistry, Foreman Christian College was the first witness examined. He said in his opinion Government could help to the best advantage by loaning money to enterprises already started and in need of expansion by establishment and development of the industrial schools of the type suggested, namely, a group of very small factories established for teaching only.

In reply to Sir Francis Stewart witness said that Imperial institutes have not been of service to the country. A central research institute will not be available to the need of most of the people. He would prefer industrial Schools to be left under the Educational department.

BANKING LEGISLATION SUGGESTED.

Rai Bahadur Gangaram at Lahore the next witness examined said industries could be started or kept going without financial help from banks and no banks could prosper in this country unless they got substantial financial support from Government.

The last witness was Rai Bahadur Damodar Das. In reply to Sir Francis Stewart witness said there was a great need for better training for auditorship and a accountantship. They had to restore the confidence of the people to raise capital. He suggested the creation of a board of industry and trade consisting of experts who will advise in starting new industries. He wanted stringent banking legislation which will restore public confidence failures of banks were due to the fraud of managers and managing directors.

The Commission adjourned till tomorrow.

THE PUNJABI WORKMAN.

Dec. 15.

The Commission resumed its sitting today Sir. R. N. Mukerjee Presiding. Mr. R. Lionel Health, Principal-Mayo School of Art, Lahore was the first witness examined. He said the Punjabi may be considered to be one of the most skilful, apt and industrious of all India's industrial workers when under direct supervision. Yet it was a fact that most industries have failed to maintain their popularity and have steadily deteriorated in quality and quantity owing in a great measure to the want of technical and commercial knowledge.

NEED FOR A TECHNICAL INSTITUTE.

To Pandit Malaviya witness said it would be good if a student got industrial training along with his general education he thought for an ordinary craftsman it would be well to stop school education at the fifth primary class, but he favoured the idea of compulsory primary education. He wanted a technological institute on the lines of the Manchester School of Technology. He did not find any other difficulty except difficulty of funds. If funds were coming men will also come in.

To Sir Dorab Tata witness said Indian workmanship was beautiful but not adapted to the present requirements.

The next and last witness examined was M. Mulk Raj, Director of the Punjab Co-operative bank. He gave evidence mainly in question of Indian banking in Punjab

He was sorry to say there was the hostility of Anglo-Indian Bank towards Indian Banks.

This terminated the work of examining witnesses before the Commission in Laboro. The Commission left Lahore tonight for Lyallpur, Khewra and Rasul to inspect and visit the Agricultural College the Khewra Mines and Canal works at the respective places. It will then proceed to Amritsar where it will take evidence for one day only and will then break up for Christmas.

FANCY FETE IN POONA.

LORD AND LADY WILLINGDON IN EVIDENCE.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

POONA, Dec. 15.

Their Excellencies Lord and Lady Willingdon paid a flying visit to Poona this evening from Bombay, in order to lend their countenance to the Fancy Bazaar organised by the Women's Branch of the War Relief Fund in connection with "Our Day" celebrations. There was a large crowd in the grounds of the Napier Cinema in which the fete was held and both the Bazaar and subsidiary shows held in connection with it appeared to do brisk business during the hours the show lasted. From the Napier Cinema their Excellencies Lord and Lady Willingdon motored to the fete organised by Poona City Municipality in the Reay Market. The Hon. Mr. Seddon, Commissioner, C.D., Mr. Westropp, Collector Poona, Mr. R. B. Apte. President, City Municipality and the members of the entertainment committee met their Excellencies and showed them round the exhibition with the arrangements of which both their Excellencies expressed themselves as highly pleased. After witnessing a wrestling match their Excellencies left for Ganeshkind sati fied that Poona was doing its share in upholding the honours of "Our Day." It has to be mentioned that in addition to what is being done thus publicly several other cinema shows have devoted their funds to the same purpose, while the Hon. Mr. Ebrahim Haroon Jaffer not only supplied all the tents and decorations to the entertainment committee free of charge, but at the same time offered to meet all initial expenses of the committee in connection with the exhibition. The Hon. Mr. E. Jaffer and Mr. G. K. Deodhar acted as Honorary Secretaries of the Poona City Fete, the success of which is due largely to their efforts.

OUR DAY AT HYDERABAD.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

SECUNDERABAD, Dec. 15.

The "Our Day" week was observed at Hyderabad and Secunderabad on a very elaborate scale and proved a brilliant success, thanks to the initiative and organising powers of the executive council under the counsel and guidance of the Resident Mr S. M. Fraser and the presidentship of Mrs. Stuart Fraser. The entertainments arranged for were varied and numerous and were spread from the 10th to 15th, both days inclusive. The chief attraction was a grand fete and industrial exhibition held at the public gardens. Hyderabad, on the 10th, 11th and 12th, and which was opened by his Highness the Nizam, who expressed his pleasure with all he saw and patronised the stalls and exhibitions with his usual generosity. The exhibition was of purely indigenous industries and arts and comprised wood carving and silver and gold, steel, brass and cloth and embroidery work. The cloth weaving industries of Aurangabad and other places in the Dominion were demonstrated by highly skilled craftsmen and were indeed a revelation to many. One of the most interesting exhibits was the demonstration given by the State Revenue Department of Basel, the alcohol substitute for petrol obtained from Mahua flowers. An engine designed to work by petrol was seen in operation without any hitch by motive power of basel. There were no alterations or special adjustments in the engine. Should this discovery prove practicable from all points of view, it will mean much to the industries of the State. There were many other interesting events. This evening the "Our Day" week closes with the final of the football tournament started last month in aid of "Our Day" funds by Sir Afsur-ul-Mulk.

"OUR DAY" AT CAWNPORE.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

CAWNPORE, Dec. 14.

The "Our Day" celebrations have been held in Cawnpore on a grand scale. A grand fete and "pagal" gymkhana was held on the 12th instant and attracted a very large audience of Europeans and Indians. Altogether the functions proved very successful. The accounts are not yet complete, but the day's takings are expected to amount to a sum not far short of Rs. 10,000. The people's fair in connection with "Our Day" celebrations has been going on for the last five days. It was visited by his Honour Sir James Meston yesterday.

Two Indian ladies' gathering were held in connection with "Our Day" celebrations, one at the Balika Vidyalaya, the other in the shape of a large and well attended mela of Sarsayaghat. The mela functions are expected to add over Rs. 20,000 to the "Our Day" Funds. In this connection it must not be forgotten the tickets in Lady Meston's lucky bag of the value of nearly Rs. 50,000 have been sold in Cawnpore and thus Cawnpore's total contribution to the "Our Day" Funds is likely to exceed Rs. 80,000.

AT KARACHI.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

KARACHI, Dec. 15.

The great "Our Day" fete at Karachi which started on Wednesday and is to be continued till Monday realised an average of over ten thousand rupees on the first three days. Public subscriptions to the "Our Day" Fund already announced aggregate Rs. 37,318 but the amount will be considerably augmented before the lists are closed.

AT RADHANPUR.

(From a Correspondent.)

RADHANPUR, Dec. 16.

The programme of the "Our Day" fete at Radhanpur was varied and most attractive. It began with boating in a big tank followed by sports, drama, wrestling, races and cinematograph performances.

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CALCUTTA RACES.

THIRD EXTRA MEETING.

(By our Racing Correspondent.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 15.

Although the attendance to-day fell fa short of what one saw on the day of th "Our Day" meeting, it certainly was big ger than what is generally seen on extra days. Their Excellencies came a little before the first race and were interested spectators. They freely moved about in the crowd escorted by one or other of the Stewards. Except in the first and second races, favourites failed lamentably, but the finishes in most of the races, owing to the fine handicapping of Mr. Fawcett, proved thrilling. In the first race there was no pronounced favourite, but Little Star had a shade larger call of the market. She won alright and on putting up for sale was bought in by her present owner. In the Chase Pat Malone fell at the last jump when leading and gave his jockey a nasty fall. He was promptly removed in an ambulance, but later in the day he was seen moving about in the paddock unhurt. Kiltoi's performance in the Wellesley Plate was brilliant. Lying last all through, he came with lightning speed, beating Magyar just on the post. Carpe Diem seems to have struck form marvellously and to-day he scored his third win. Mary was the rankest outsider of the day, the Totalizator paying at 26 to 1. Margreen' win was very easy. Calcutta owners won four out of the seven events. Details ar es under:—

THE FIRST SELLING RACE.—Distance furlongs.

Mr. Dec's LITTLE STAR, 8-7, Rose .....
Mr. Alibo's BLUE SAPPHIRE, 7-12, J. Flynn .....
Mr. Thaddeus' THE KISH, 8-5, Ruiz .....

Betting:—5 to 4 Little Star, 7 to 4 The Kish, twos the others.

The race:—The Kish and Blue Sapphire led, locked together, with Little Star a couple of lengths to the rear. Near the distance The Kish dropped off and Little Star won cantering by 1½ lengths, 4 lengths between second and third.

Time:—1 min. 16 1.5 secs.

Totes paid:—Win Rs. 30.

After the race the winner was put up for auction and was bought in for Rs. 2,750.

THE TRIAL CHASE PLATE.—Distance 2½ miles.

Messrs. Swan and Hilliard's FOOTSTEPS FEARLESS, 9-11, Heron .....
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's DYNEVOR PARK, 10-6, Crowden 2
Mr. Goculdas's KNIGHTS KEY, 12-0 Scott 3

Also ran:—Sholto 9-0, Pat Malone 10-9 (fell) and Arizona Bill 9-10 (fell).

Betting:—Twos Knights Key and Footsteps Fearless, fives Arizona Bill, twenties Sholto, eights the rest.

The race:—To a splendid start Pat Malone, in company with Arizona Bill, showed way to Footsteps Fearless and Sholto, Knights Key lying last. There was no change during the first round, but immediately after Arizona Bill picked and unshipped his rider, Footsteps Fearless now moved up and raced alongside Pat Malone, Dynevor Park being next, Knights Key labouring in the rear. In taking the last obstruction Pat Malone blundered and fell and Footsteps Fearless sailed away to win by 3½ lengths, Knights Key distanced.

Time:—4 mins. 46 secs.

Totes paid:—Win Rs. 32; Places Rs. 19 and Rs. 40.

THE MIDGET PLATE.—Distance 5 furlongs.

H. H. Maharaja of Patiala's LITTLE WONDER, 8-7, Huxley .....
Mr. Peter's LADY BUNNY, 10-7, Ruiz ....
Mr. B. Ali's MAUDE, 8-6, Thompson .....

Also ran:—Nickel 7-0, Cheeky Girl 7-12, Gold Mohur 7-6, Lady Malwood 7-0 (cd. 7-5), Kyee Kyee 7-0.

Betting:—5 to 4 on Lady Bunny, twos Little Wonder, sixes Kyee Kyee, eights Maude, wenties the rest.

The race:—Nickel was quickest away and was followed by Little Wonder and Lady Bunny; Maude, who was last, began to come up fast and took up fourth position. Two furlongs from home Little Wonder sailed away to win comfortably by 1½ lengths from Lady Bunny, who finished 1½ lengths in front of Maude.

Time:—1 min. 4 4/5 secs.

Totes paid:—Win Rs. 32; Places Rs. 12, Rs. 12 and Rs. 15.

THE CORNWALLIS PLATE.—Distance 1 mile.

Mr. Fleming's MAUDE, 7-9, Thompson ....
Mr. Lauder's STAR OF INDIA, 7-6 (cd. 7-1), J. R. Flynn .....
Mr. R. R. S.'s KINSALE, 3-7, Templeman

Also ran:—Giacomi 8-12, May Boy 8-8, St. Bawn 8-7, Red Quill 8-3, Cleatrix 8-1 (cd. 8-2), Madame 8-0, Castle Vite 7-0.

Betting:—Evens Giacomi (opened fives), threes Star of India, fours Kinsale, fives Cleatrix, twenties the rest.

The race:—To an excellent start Giacomi led out at a smart pace with Mary hanging at his girths, then Cleatrix half way down, Star of India and Castle Vite, St. Bawn and Red Quill brought up the rear. After turning the bend Mary, who was chased all the way down the straight by Star of India and Kinsale, assumed command. She lasted just long enough to win by a neck, 1½ lengths between second and third.

Time:—1 min. 40 4/5 secs.

Totes paid:—Win Rs. 270; Places Rs. 42, Rs. 17 and Rs. 23.

THE WELLESLEY PLATE.—Distance 1½ miles.

H. H. General Nawabzada Obaidulla Khan's KILTOI, 9-9, Ruiz 1
Mr. R. R. S.'s MAGYAR, 9-9, Templeman 2
Mr. Goculdas's POLITIAN, 9-9, Huxley ... 3

Also ran:—Bydand 8-12, Silver Balm 9-9, Bachelor's Wedding 9-9, Marcianus 8-12, Wolfaline 8-7.

Betting:—3 to 2 Politian, threes Magyar, fours Kiltoi, sixes Marcianus, twenties the rest.

The race:—A capital start. When the field settled down Bachelor's Wedding was seen to be leading with Wolfaline, with Silver Balm handy just behind. Bydand was fourth, the crack Kiltoi being last. Just in front of him was Politian with Magyar before. Marcianus being the connecting link. Between the two divisions near the six-furlong post, the order was Wolfaline, Bachelor's Wedding, Silver Balm and Magyar, Kiltoi moving up rapidly on the outside. Near the Zeerut opening, Magyar assumed command; Bydand being his nearest attendant, Ruiz was seen driving Kiltoi and Huxley Politian opposite the stands. A dashing finish for about 100 yards resulted in Kiltoi winning by a short head, 2½ lengths between second and third.

Time:— 2 mins. 7 1/5 secs.

Totes paid:—Win Rs. 30; Places Rs. 15, Rs. 14 and Rs. 12.

THE BENTINCK PLATE. Division II. Distance 7 furlongs.

Messrs. Swan and Hilliard's CARPE DIEM, 9-5, J. R. Flynn .....
H. H. Maharaja of Patiala's LEBANON, 9-4, Ruiz .....
Messrs. Donetil and Watson's SANTICOTE, 7-3 (cd. 7-5), Rose 3

Also ran:—Don't Be Late 8-2 (cd. 8-3), Kitty O'Hara 8-11, Warden 8-10, Bright Bird 8-3, Tarquin 8-0, Diana 7-8, Wallace Plaid 6-7.

Betting:—Twos Lebanon, 5 to 2 Warden, fives Carpe Diem, sixes Santicote and Don't Be Late, twenties the rest.

The race:—Diana was the quickest away, her nearest attendant being Warden, then came Carpe Diem and Lebanon and then Santicote. Warden began to lose ground from the half-mile bend and Diana soon shot her bolt. Carpe Diem now went to the van and won easily by 1½ lengths, a neck between second and third.

Time:—1 min. 29 4/5 secs.

Totes paid:—Win Rs. 73; Places Rs. 23, Rs. 15 and Rs. 29.

THE BENTINCK PLATE. Division I.—Distance 7 furlongs.

Mr. Ainsworth's MARGREEN, 9-8, Rose 1
Zemindar of Nazerguni's MISS DRAKE, 8-3, Malone 2
Messrs. Swan and Hilliard's HAPTON, 8-11, Hardy 3*
Mr. Ever's MIDSAND, 7-13, Masoomdin *Dead-heat. 3*

Also ran:—Le Soleil 9-3, Life 8-9, Frisette 8-5.

Betting:—3 to 2 Frisette, twos Takes and Hapton, fours Margreen, tens and more the rest.

The race:—Margreen and Midsand were together in front of a compact field, Le Soleil wagging at its tail. Ther ewas nothing to trouble Margreen, who won easily by two lengths. Miss Drake, well-ridden by Heron, came like an express train and passed Midsand by 1½ lengths, Hapton, after a tremendous finish, dead-heated for the third place.

Time:—1 min. 29 secs.

Totes paid:—Win Rs. 88; Places Rs. 54 and Rs. 52.

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MADRAS, Dec. 14.

Under the auspices of the Madras Presidency Association a public meeting was held this evening to protest against the action of the local Government in rejecting the addresses of certain public bodies. Mr. S. Guruswami Chetty was proposed to the chair. After a few preliminary remarks from the chairman Mr. T.V. Gopalaswami Mudaliar moved a resolution expressing strong disapproval of the action of the Government of Madras in rejecting deputations of bodies such as the Madras Presidency Association, Madras Arya Vaisya Sabha, South Indian Skin and Hides Merchants' Association, Andhra Conference, Andhra Audi Dravida Conference, Nattu Kottai Chetties, Advocates Political Association and others who are understood to support the Congress-League reforms while allowing deputations and addresses of bodies less popular and uninfluental including one called the South India Islamia League formed after the 12th December, the date fixed by the Government for sending to them addresses and requesting that the matter be reconsidered with a view to reassure the public and afford an opportunity to all representative bodies to wait in deputation. Among these who took part in the proceeding were Dr. M. C. Nanjunda Rao and the Hon. Mr. Yakub Hasan, Mr. Lodd Govindass and Mrs. Besant.

Mrs. Besant in supporting the resolution said it was enormously important that the views of bodies which had not had the opportunity of expressing their adherence to the view put before the country by the Congress and the Moslem-League should be given a chance to do so.

MADRAS, Dec. 15.

It is understood that an opportunity for reading and presenting an address of the Madras Presidency Association will be given to Dewan Bahadur P. Kesava Pillai, President of the Association who with the other members of that body will be present at the Banqueting Hall at noon on Monday, the 17th instant in their capacity of representatives of the Madras Provincial Congress Committee or the Madras Mahajana Sabha.

LATE GENERAL MAUDE.

COMMEMORATION IN BUSRAH.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

KARACHI, Dec. 15.

The "Basrah Times" says that a meeting of civilians was to be held on December 6 at Ashai to consider the most suitable means of commemorating in Busrah the name of the late General Maude. It has been announced that officers and men of the army of occupation are to have an opportunity of commemorating their late Chief in their own way, but leading members of all classes and the civil population feel that they too should have the opportunity of placing on record the deep debt of gratitude they owe to one, whose name will go down to history as the founder of liberty and author of good government in Mesopotamia. It is proposed that a memorial should take the form of a hospital to be called the Maude Memorial Hospital intended primarily for the benefit of the poor of all classes in Busrah.

MAHAJANA SABHA EXTRAORDINARY MEETING.

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MADRAS, Dec. 14.

An extraordinary meeting of the general body of the Mahajana Sabha will be held to-morrow to consider what action should be taken regarding the refusal of permission to several associations to wait on deputation on the Viceroy and the Secretary of Station.

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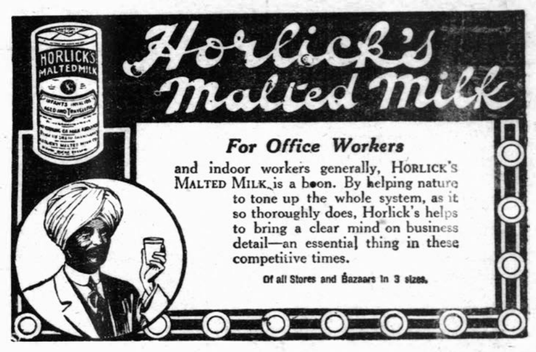
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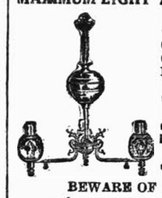

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Barometer corrected to 32 deg. Fahr.	29.927 Inch.
Temperature of Air	75.5 Deg.
Wet Bulb Thermometer	69.0 "
Dew Point	66.8 "
Relative humidity of Air	0.748 "
Extent of cloudy sky (the whole sky cloudy—10)	0 8 "
Maximum temperature of Air	81 9 "
Minimum do.	70.1 "
General direction of Wind from midnight to midnight	N,NW.NNW
Movement of Wind do do	162 Miles.

SUN, MOON AND TIDES AT BOMBAY.

The following are the hours and height of the tides in Bombay Harbour during the ensuing week Hour stated is Bombay Mean Time depth of water is at Prince's Dock:—

Day of Week	Day of Month	HIGH WATER. Bombay Mean time.		Depth on Still.		Day of Week	Day of Month	LOW WATER. Bombay Mean time.		Depth on Still.	
	Dec.	h.	m.	ft.	in.		Dec.	h.	m.	ft.	in.
Sat.	15	m 11	31	26	11		15	m 5	53	19	3
								5	33a	14	6
Sun.	16	m 0	23	29	11		16	m 6	35	18	10
		0	16a	27	1			6	13a	14	9
Mon.	17	m 1	9	29	11		17	m 7	17	18	7
		1	3a	27	0			6	54a	15	3
Tues.	18	m 1	50	29	8		18	m 8	1	18	5
		1	53a	26	9			7	39a	16	2
Wed.	19	m 2	33	29	2		19	m 8	50	18	3
		2	48a	26	4			8	18a	17	5
Thur.	20	m 3	18	28	5		20	m 9	46	18	2
		3	52a	25	11			9	25a	18	10
Fri.	21	m 4	8	27	7		21	m 10	51	18	0
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The following are the hours of sunrise and sunset, according to Indian Standard Time, during the ensuing week:—

Dec.	Sunrise.	Sunset.
15 (Saturday)	7h. 4m.	6h. 4m.
16 (Sunday)	7h. 5m.	6h. 4m.
17 (Monday)	7h. 5m.	6h. 5m.
18 (Tuesday)	7h. 6m.	6h. 5m.
19 (Wednesday)	7h. 6m.	6h. 5m.
20 (Thursday)	7h. 7m.	6h. 6m.
21 (Friday)	7h. 8m.	6h. 6m.

Phases of the Moon:—

	d.	h.	m.
Last Quarter	6	7	43.8 p.m.
New Moon	14	2	47.3 p.m.
First Quarter	21	11	37.3 a.m.
Full Moon	28	8	21.6 p.m.

STANDARD BAROMETER READING.

The following information is published in order that vessels in the Bombay Harbour may by comparison with a standard instrument ascertain the errors of their barometers:—

The reading of the Standard Barometer in the Colaba Observatory corrected for index error and reduced to 80 deg. F. and to the level of the tide at 8-45 a.m. Standard Time, on the 15th December, 1917, was 30.171 Inches. For temperature corrections applicable to mercurial barometer of ships the reading of the ship's barometer has to be increased or decreased by .013 inch for every 5 degrees according as the temperature of the attached thermometer is respectively below or above 80 deg. F. In case of the aneroid no temperature correction is needed. But for comparison at 80 deg. F. all aneroid readings should be increased by .138 inch. For correcting the ship's barometer either mercurial or aneroid for the height of the barometer cistern above the tide level in the stream at 8-45 a.m., Standard Time, the ship's barometer reading should be increased by .010 inch for every 10 feet of the height to make it comparable with the observatory barometer reading given.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

Summary of observations recorded at 8 hours on Saturday, the 15th December, 1917, giving data for the preceding 24 hours.

The Punjab.—Skies are clear. Humidity is normal or in excess. Night temperature is in excess in the south-west Punjab.

The United Provinces.—Skies are lightly clouded. Humidity is normal or in excess. Night temperature is in excess in the extreme north-western districts.

Sind and Rajputana.—Skies are clear. Humidity is normal or in excess. Night temperature is in excess at most stations in Rajputana.

Gujarat, Kathiawar and Central India West.—Skies are clear. The air is generally damper than usual. Night temperature has fallen and is now in defect in north Gujarat and at the inland stations of Kathiawar but is still in excess in Central India West; day temperature is below normal in the western half of Kathiawar.

The Central Provinces.—Skies are clear or lightly clouded. Humidity is normal or in excess. Temperature is generally in excess.

The Konkan.—Skies are generally clear. Humidity is normal or in excess. Day temperature is in defect in the north Konkan.

The Bombay Deccan and Hyderabad.—Skies are clear. Humidity is in excess in the north Bombay Deccan and normal or in defect elsewhere. Night temperature has fallen but is still in excess in the northern half of the division.

General Remarks.—Trivandrum is the only station reporting rainfall to-day. Conditions are unsettled in the seas to the east of Ceylon.

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